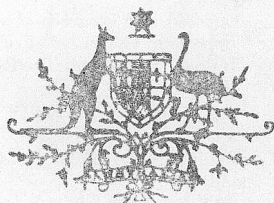


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Section 1.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area— Square Miles.	Population (Excluding Full-blood Australian Aborigines).						
		Census—30th June, 1933.			Estimated 30th June, 1942.			Popula- tion— Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1940.
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W.	309,433	1,318,471	1,282,376	2,600,847	1,418,066	1,410,573	2,828,639	1,310,530
Victoria	87,884	903,244	917,017	1,820,261	977,198	991,633	1,968,831	1,076,700
Q'land	670,500	497,217	450,317	947,534	538,018	499,908	1,037,926	335,520
S. Aust.	380,070	290,962	289,987	580,949	302,217	305,030	607,247	(a) 330,000
W. Aust.	975,920	233,937	204,915	438,852	242,546	227,844	470,390	228,000
Tasmania	26,215	115,097	112,502	227,599	121,324	118,612	239,936	66,620
N. Terr.	523,620	3,378	1,472	4,850	6,853	2,067	8,920	3,900
A.C.T. . .	939	4,805	4,142	8,947	6,572	5,786	12,358	11,000
Total . .	2,974,581	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,612,794	3,561,453	7,174,247	3,362,270

(a) Approximate.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

31st Dec.—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (b) (c)	Australia.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1920	2,091,722	1,527,909	750,624	491,006	331,323	212,752	3,989	1,972	5,411,297
1930	2,546,353	1,792,605	916,736	574,467	431,610	225,297	4,964	8,719	6,500,751
1937	2,710,738	1,859,487	993,461	591,201	457,111	238,990	5,354	10,248	6,866,590
1938	2,735,695	1,873,760	1,004,150	595,109	462,461	241,407	5,645	11,404	6,929,691
1939	2,764,782	1,886,356	1,018,477	598,463	467,376	242,422	7,187	12,263	6,997,326
1940	2,789,123	1,918,774	1,029,613	598,091	468,311	243,057	8,852	12,868	7,068,689
1941	2,812,321	1,952,152	1,036,830	605,689	467,082	241,171	9,615	12,361	7,137,221

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (b) (c)	Australia.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1920	2,067,715	1,512,093	745,957	486,619	330,023	210,350	4,211	2,174	5,359,142
1930	2,532,289	1,786,217	910,319	573,242	429,079	220,933	4,979	8,961	6,466,019
1937	2,694,679	1,856,033	989,668	589,143	454,295	233,951	5,411	10,165	6,833,375
1938	2,721,196	1,867,818	1,000,749	592,579	459,977	235,678	5,726	11,124	6,894,847
1939	2,749,134	1,881,942	1,013,327	596,137	465,042	238,001	6,273	11,990	6,961,846
1940	2,776,154	1,903,941	1,024,807	598,222	468,005	240,243	8,244	12,745	7,032,361
1941	2,799,155	1,937,133	1,034,799	600,335	467,992	239,417	10,140	13,081	7,102,052

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results.

(b) Prior to 1911 part of New South Wales.

(c) Revised estimates based on the results of the Census of the Australian Capital Territory on 30th June, 1938, are as follows :—(i) 31st December—1937, 11,043; (ii) Mean—1937, 10,902.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

Quarter ended 30th September, 1942.

State or Territory.	Births.			Deaths.(a)			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
New South Wales	6,944	6,629	13,573	5,092	3,793	8,885	7,783
Victoria ..	4,597	4,412	9,009	3,478	3,251	6,729	4,869
Queensland ..	2,735	2,602	5,337	1,614	1,131	2,745	2,846
South Australia ..	1,532	1,428	2,960	1,133	986	2,119	1,734
Western Australia	1,171	1,252	2,423	906	588	1,494	1,172
Tasmania ..	714	688	1,402	356	334	690	482
Northern Territory	4	8	12	8	3	11	19
Australian Capital Territory ..	56	46	102	19	6	25	34
Total ..	17,753	17,065	34,818	12,606	10,092	22,698	18,939

(a) Excluding deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

State or Territory.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	First Nine Months of—	
					1941.	1942.

BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	47,319	48,003	49,382	51,729	38,199	40,355
Victoria ..	30,344	30,493	31,962	34,406	24,838	27,362
Queensland ..	18,992	20,348	20,412	21,519	16,018	16,329
South Australia ..	9,410	9,618	10,017	10,965	8,001	8,687
Western Australia ..	9,141	9,036	9,121	10,118	7,420	7,697
Tasmania ..	4,907	5,004	4,994	5,206	3,807	3,963
Northern Territory ..	102	138	173	216	162	72
Australian Capital Territory	200	251	286	366	272	307
Total ..	120,415	122,891	126,347	134,525	98,717	104,772

BIRTH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

					(a)	(a)
New South Wales ..	17.39	17.46	17.79	18.48	18.20	19.02
Victoria ..	16.25	16.20	16.79	17.76	17.10	18.53
Queensland ..	18.98	20.08	19.92	20.80	20.64	20.98
South Australia ..	15.88	16.13	16.74	18.26	17.77	19.07
Western Australia ..	19.87	19.43	19.49	21.62	21.14	21.82
Tasmania ..	20.82	21.03	20.79	21.75	21.20	22.02
Northern Territory ..	17.81	22.00	20.98	21.30	21.80	10.76
Australian Capital Territory	17.98	20.93	22.44	27.98	27.72	33.12
Total ..	17.46	17.65	17.96	18.94	18.53	19.47

NOTE.—Birth, death and marriage rates for the Australian Capital Territory have been adjusted in accordance with the revised mean population set out in the footnote to p. 8.

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

State or Territory.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	First Nine Months of—	
					1941.	1942.

DEATHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales	26,105	26,815	26,143	27,300	20,958	22,387
Victoria	18,955	20,169	20,293	20,522	15,242	15,725
Queensland	9,201	9,530	9,203	9,530	7,307	7,479
South Australia	5,539	5,739	5,708	6,288	4,706	5,222
Western Australia	4,234	4,336	4,486	4,769	3,571	3,807
Tasmania	2,288	2,426	2,387	2,575	1,969	1,810
Northern Territory	69	88	86	122	87	70
Australian Capital Territory	60	44	78	70	58	57
Total	66,451	69,147	68,384	71,176	53,898	56,557

(a) Excluding deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

DEATH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	9.59	9.75	9.42	9.75	(a) 9.98	(a) 10.55
Victoria	10.15	10.72	10.66	10.59	10.49	10.65
Queensland	9.19	9.40	8.98	9.21	9.42	9.60
South Australia	9.35	9.63	9.54	10.47	10.45	11.47
Western Australia	9.20	9.32	9.59	10.19	10.17	10.79
Tasmania	9.71	10.19	9.94	10.76	10.97	10.06
Northern Territory	12.05	14.03	10.43	12.03	11.44	10.46
Australian Capital Territory	5.39	3.67	6.12	5.35	5.91	6.15
Total	9.64	9.93	9.72	10.02	10.12	10.51

NOTE.—See footnote to p. 4.

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales	24,579	25,471	30,364	29,983	21,184	26,578
Victoria	17,113	17,368	22,299	20,898	14,519	18,370
Queensland	8,853	9,108	10,287	9,885	7,051	8,916
South Australia	5,489	5,670	6,950	6,855	4,736	6,337
Western Australia	4,153	4,195	5,234	5,077	3,755	4,259
Tasmania	2,082	2,264	2,476	2,150	1,540	1,808
Northern Territory	67	85	154	179	124	42
Australian Capital Territory	75	88	125	121	85	98
Total	62,411	64,249	77,889	75,148	52,994	66,408

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

State or Territory.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	First Nine Months of—	
					1941.	1942.
MARRIAGE-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
					(a)	(a)
New South Wales	9.03	9.27	10.94	10.02	10.09	12.53
Victoria	9.16	9.23	11.71	10.79	9.99	12.44
Queensland	8.85	8.99	10.04	9.55	9.09	11.45
South Australia	9.26	9.51	11.62	11.42	10.52	13.91
Western Australia	9.03	9.02	11.18	10.85	10.70	12.07
Tasmania	8.83	9.51	10.31	8.98	8.58	10.05
Northern Territory	11.70	13.55	18.68	17.65	16.31	6.28
Australian Capital Territory	6.74	7.34	9.81	9.25	8.66	10.57
Total	9.05	9.23	11.08	10.58	9.95	12.34

NOTE.—See footnote to p. 4.

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales	1,980	1,969	1,927	2,264	1,756	1,595
Victoria	1,038	1,085	1,261	1,246	943	1,093
Queensland	784	722	721	842	651	559
South Australia	287	336	356	356	241	340
Western Australia	309	369	403	357	296	263
Tasmania	195	203	176	255	193	172
Northern Territory	6	8	8	18	12	3
Australian Capital Territory	8	6	3	6	5	8
Total	4,607	4,698	4,855	5,344	4,097	4,033

INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

New South Wales	41.84	41.02	39.02	43.77	45.97	39.52
Victoria	34.21	35.58	39.45	36.21	37.97	39.94
Queensland	41.28	35.48	35.32	39.13	40.64	34.24
South Australia	30.50	34.93	35.54	32.47	30.12	39.13
Western Australia	33.83	40.84	44.18	35.28	39.89	34.17
Tasmania	39.74	40.57	35.24	48.98	50.70	43.40
Northern Territory	58.82	57.97	46.24	83.33	74.07	41.66
Australian Capital Territory	40.00	23.90	10.49	16.39	18.38	26.06
Total	38.26	38.23	38.43	39.72	41.50	38.49

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of (a) over (b).
	Males.	Females.	Persons. (a)	Males.	Females.	Persons. (b)	
1921-25 ..	289,695	188,357	478,052	171,974	122,535	294,509	183,543
1926-30 ..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,013	147,409	340,422	130,058
1931-35 ..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	(c) 10,886
1936-40 ..	161,774	159,538	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1936 ..	29,726	30,168	59,894	29,045	29,352	58,397	1,497
1937 ..	35,123	34,679	69,802	32,161	32,438	64,599	5,203
1938 ..	39,910	38,018	77,928	34,206	34,585	68,791	9,137
1939 ..	37,719	37,366	75,085	31,491	29,703	61,194	13,891
1940 ..	19,296	19,307	38,603	13,998	11,205	25,203	13,400
1941 ..	11,861	10,800	22,661	10,063	7,414	17,477	5,184

(c) Excess of Departures over Arrivals.

Section II.—Production.
PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.
AREA OF CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Total Area of Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1935-36 ..	11,956,966	1,564,171	297,616	3,007,470	335,094	19,974,042
1936-37 ..	12,316,862	1,524,861	317,710	3,100,876	359,328	20,602,595
1937-38 ..	13,734,951	1,408,422	320,207	2,982,465	369,896	21,951,731
1938-39 ..	14,346,380	1,784,205	324,146	3,250,260	368,592	23,497,780
1939-40 ..	13,285,005	1,681,962	311,812	2,998,642	374,967	22,249,512
1940-41 ..	12,644,646	1,722,902	362,861	2,353,506	371,623	21,118,189

TOTAL PRODUCTION.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Cane Sugar.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1935-36 ..	144,217,769	18,720,774	7,467,705	3,497,677	4,500,907	646,541
1936-37 ..	151,389,952	16,662,279	7,246,383	3,447,647	5,445,740	782,834
1937-38 ..	187,255,673	17,165,061	6,816,612	3,423,753	5,494,610	810,319
1938-39 ..	155,368,621	15,554,735	7,066,642	3,321,161	5,678,894	820,086
1939-40 ..	210,487,306	25,301,980	6,560,065	4,158,064	6,313,369	928,621
1940-41 ..	82,233,324	10,199,218	9,192,744	2,177,470	5,523,416	806,457

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.(a)	Tons.(a)
1935-36 ..	12.06	11.97	25.09	1.16	18.84	2.71
1936-37 ..	12.29	10.93	22.81	1.11	21.26	3.06
1937-38 ..	13.63	12.19	21.29	1.15	21.48	3.17
1938-39 ..	10.83	8.72	21.77	1.02	21.65	3.13
1939-40 ..	15.84	15.04	21.04	1.39	23.15	3.41
1940-41 ..	6.50	5.92	25.33	0.93	20.29	2.95

(a) Per acre of productive crop.

NOTE.—Estimated production of Cane Sugar 1941-42, 744,000 tons, and 1942-43 625,000 tons

AREA OF WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1937-38	4,464,664	2,686,057	372,935	3,161,739	3,026,420	21,081	2,055	13,734,951
1938-39	4,650,872	2,748,362	442,017	3,080,401	3,412,818	9,849	2,061	14,346,380
1939-40	4,380,595	2,827,417	362,044	2,734,595	2,970,411	7,495	2,448	13,285,005
1940-41	4,453,963	2,672,728	322,031	2,560,390	2,625,401	8,038	2,045	12,644,646
1941-42(a)	3,968,758	2,757,080	350,000	2,325,117	2,653,419	8,100	1,294	12,063,768
1942-43(a)	3,100,000	2,400,000	250,000	2,038,743	1,760,016	5,000	1,000	9,554,759

TOTAL PRODUCTION OF WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1937-38	55,104,000	48,173,191	3,749,443	43,429,423	36,224,800	526,007	49,809	187,255,673
1938-39	59,898,000	18,104,369	8,583,736	31,674,418	56,843,600	205,263	59,235	155,868,621
1939-40	76,552,000	45,054,592	6,794,906	41,071,696	40,881,000	107,719	45,393	210,487,306
1940-41	23,933,100	13,521,422	5,687,350	17,856,118	21,060,000	140,375	34,959	82,233,324
1941-42a	48,500,000	46,953,840	3,000,000	30,511,112	37,500,000	145,191	22,824	166,632,967
1942-43a	52,000,000	42,000,000	5,000,000	32,500,000	20,405,000	100,000	20,000	152,025,000

(a) Subject to revision.

Principal Crops—Australia—continued.

AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1937-38	12.34	17.93	10.05	13.74	11.97	24.95	24.24	13.63
1938-39	12.88	6.59	19.42	10.28	10.79	20.84	28.74	10.83
1939-40	17.43	15.93	18.77	15.02	13.76	14.37	18.54	15.84
1940-41	5.37	5.06	17.69	6.97	8.02	17.46	17.09	6.50
1941-42a	12.22	17.03	8.57	13.12	14.13	17.92	17.64	13.81
1942-43a	16.77	17.50	20.00	15.94	11.59	20.00	20.00	15.91

(a) Subject to revision.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK.

31st Dec.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria. (a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N.Terr.	A.C.T. (a)	Australia.
SHEEP.									
1936	53,166,010	17,663,103	20,011,749	7,905,112	9,007,535	2,233,655	11,162	244,378	110,242,704
1937	51,563,181	18,363,467	22,497,970	8,904,402	8,732,076	2,520,950	26,856	263,616	113,372,518
1938	48,876,663	17,007,352	23,158,569	9,936,586	9,177,531	2,625,690	29,901	245,540	111,057,832
1939	54,372,472	18,251,370	24,190,931	9,940,570	9,574,433	2,677,120	38,587	259,408	119,305,391
1940	55,567,576	20,412,862	23,936,099	10,263,423	9,516,272	2,682,375	33,703	281,791	122,693,601
1941b	56,737,000	20,598,201	25,500,000	10,245,894	9,715,821	2,398,201	c 33,703	262,563	125,491,383

CATTLE.

1936	3,238,169	2,005,759	5,950,572	328,013	792,508	261,597	855,398	9,856	13,491,872
1937	3,019,581	1,880,429	5,959,165	324,163	740,241	254,812	891,640	8,325	13,078,356
1938	2,811,884	1,697,295	6,097,089	318,897	767,680	262,407	899,472	7,057	12,861,781
1939	2,762,653	1,787,597	6,198,798	351,013	799,175	252,484	922,581	5,879	13,080,180
1940	2,769,061	1,922,336	6,210,810	376,654	788,928	259,108	922,308	6,636	13,255,841
1941b	2,878,450	1,986,544	6,400,000	399,143	834,484	253,106	c 922,308	7,432	13,681,467

HORSES.

1936	545,829	357,158	440,568	200,870	155,177	30,971	31,056	1,121	1,762,750
1937	523,625	359,106	445,916	197,334	151,067	31,578	31,662	1,225	1,746,513
1938	531,355	343,828	444,521	195,834	143,674	30,468	33,191	1,195	1,724,056
1939	534,837	326,217	444,956	190,013	139,207	29,605	32,721	1,241	1,698,797
1940	531,776	318,441	441,770	182,206	130,057	29,406	30,716	1,244	1,665,616
1941b	525,697	302,401	460,000	171,092	124,472	28,612	c 30,716	1,278	1,644,268

PIGS.

1936	390,780	318,673	290,855	85,048	76,451	40,021	470	454	1,202,752
1937	356,765	285,259	282,941	66,647	64,593	43,067	393	417	1,100,082
1938	377,344	252,462	325,326	71,292	82,922	45,317	355	573	1,155,591
1939	451,064	297,655	391,333	119,660	149,604	44,941	493	601	1,455,341
1940	507,738	397,945	436,447	190,068	217,910	46,713	407	593	1,797,821
1941b	454,102	285,227	380,000	114,244	163,418	46,204	(c) 407	854	1,444,456

(a) March, year following.
figures taken.

(b) Subject to revision.

(c) Not available. Previous year's

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED.

Season.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land. (b)	S. Aust.	W. Aust. (b)	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	Australia.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1936-37	505,375,065	163,048,510	153,766,368	76,604,296	69,935,210	14,067,000	35,000	932,331,449
1937-38	496,824,150	178,890,131	174,751,230	86,606,388	70,684,355	15,598,500	35,000	1,023,390,304
1938-39	439,049,939	165,829,182	179,458,589	102,888,121	78,802,143	17,519,000	35,000	983,581,974
1939-40	548,505,998	179,125,526	195,770,277	105,265,869	80,657,367	18,334,000	35,000	1,127,694,037
1940-41	539,035,404	187,831,364	214,704,450	106,646,992	76,170,000	17,078,157	303,128	1,141,774,495
1941-42	549,100,000	(c)	(c)	105,124,013	(c)	(c)	(c)	1,180,000,000

(a) Including Australian Capital Territory.

(b) For year ended previous 31st December.

(c) Not available.

(d) Estimated.

NOTE.—The figure of 195,770,277 lb. shown for Queensland for 1939-40 relates to production in the year ended December, 1939. The estimated production in the year ended June, 1940, was 214,360,000 lb.

PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
BUTTER.								
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1936-37..	109,830,751	154,769,391	87,474,757	20,892,369	12,360,924	10,918,278	15,223	396,261,698
1937-38..	120,882,732	141,321,445	118,244,260	22,428,298	15,373,334	11,997,323	14,218	430,261,619
1938-39..	118,820,717	130,573,918	157,625,746	20,716,584	16,244,449	11,835,500	17,415	455,834,829
1939-40..	116,813,692	164,826,094	142,846,421	22,938,381	15,551,189	11,861,190	15,507	474,852,474
1940-41..	108,563,400	156,345,602	119,939,865	21,379,639	15,237,737	10,595,122	21,557	432,082,922
1941-42(b)	89,600,000	141,400,000	98,600,000	20,600,000	17,100,000	10,600,000	14,500	377,914,500

CHEESE.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1936-37..	7,417,640	13,350,124	7,789,890	12,164,819	1,012,139	2,994,227	..	44,728,839
1937-38..	8,004,873	16,466,038	11,963,445	15,516,379	835,413	3,770,189	..	56,608,842
1938-39..	7,485,907	19,554,061	15,763,543	18,457,598	980,254	3,399,626	..	65,645,989
1939-40..	6,803,510	24,495,121	13,848,936	20,550,047	848,301	3,240,328	..	69,784,248
1940-41..	6,470,136	18,376,904	11,733,147	19,427,828	960,197	3,036,228	..	60,004,440
1941-42(b)	5,100,000	22,300,000	16,300,000	18,600,000	1,300,000	3,000,000	..	66,600,000

BACON AND HAM.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1936-37..	21,022,401	17,571,792	20,229,728	7,573,620	4,098,448	2,132,464	1,151	72,829,604
1937-38..	21,374,691	16,696,404	19,607,223	6,196,378	4,010,446	2,454,628	520	70,340,199
1938-39..	26,418,687	16,510,137	19,021,752	5,987,363	4,242,083	2,273,601	340	74,453,963
1939-40..	26,046,025	17,886,305	20,040,740	7,046,860	4,071,665	2,893,805	670	78,585,970
1940-41..	31,564,332	20,039,929	22,469,768	7,492,948	5,160,199	2,045,233	710	88,773,119
1941-42(b)	31,646,843	18,739,384	24,380,000	8,145,039	6,112,282	1,780,053	1,390	90,804,991

(a) Excluding Bacon and Ham made from green bacon.

(b) Subject to revision.

QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Gold.	Black Coal.	Copper.	Pig-iron. (a)	Lead.	Silver.	Tin.	Zinc.
	Fine oz.	Ton.	Ton.	Ton.	Ton.	Oz.	Ton.	Ton.
1936 ..	1,178,581	11,370,409	16,083	783,233	212,038	11,976,090	2,963	145,900
1937 ..	1,381,135	12,074,274	19,789	913,406	240,036	13,778,080	3,099	146,740
1938 ..	1,592,034	11,680,159	20,326	929,676	239,590	13,895,541	3,331	163,381
1939 ..	1,645,697	13,535,142	(b)	1,104,605	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1940 ..	1,643,999	11,725,683	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1941 ..	1,496,698	(d)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1942 ..	c 1,155,804	(d)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)

(a) Year ended June.

(b) Not available for publication.

(c) Subject to revision.

(d) Not yet available.

VALUE^(a) OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Australia.
GOLD.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1937 ..	595,855	1,266,507	1,104,760	60,372	8,638,921	176,130	100,462	11,993,007
1938 ..	780,958	1,273,351	1,334,788	46,922	10,286,349	195,079	109,163	14,026,615
1939 ..	848,985	1,533,899	1,428,598	38,895	11,796,085	192,598	163,414	16,062,478
1940 ..	1,068,692	1,924,399	1,351,654	34,892	12,697,219	204,248	238,840	17,519,950
1941 ..	941,244	1,600,016	1,164,621	17,908	11,852,452	212,710	201,599	15,990,550
1942(b)	807,436	1,060,910	1,007,790	11,290	8,865,806	194,144	132,869	12,080,245

SILVER AND LEAD.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1935 ..	3,189,388	642	755,899	..	12,687	63,713	..	4,022,329
1936 ..	3,820,785	525	899,101	357	14,001	215,449	..	4,950,218
1937 ..	4,310,613	491	1,172,531	371	27,844	308,262	328	5,820,440
1938(c)	3,520,465	647	926,614	70	29,477	267,773	..	4,745,046

(a) Except for Gold, the values shown are those published by the Mines Departments of the several States. Gold is valued in Australian currency. (b) Subject to revision. (c) Later figures are not available for publication.

Value of Principal Minerals Produced—continued.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr. (a)	Aust.
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COPPER.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1934 ..	25,398	..	95,903	8,475	..	267,342	..	397,118
1935 ..	30,071	..	101,489	11,065	..	464,007	..	606,632
1936 ..	53,637	..	161,688	22,609	97	556,734	1,371	796,686
1937 ..	72,406	..	308,968	21,620	986	759,332	(b)55	1,163,367
1938(c)	87,905	..	203,967	15,333	1,275	580,238	(b)4,362	893,080

TIN.

1934 ..	323,130	3,886	179,404	..	6,765	219,246	9,566	746,997
1935 ..	237,890	14,475	187,234	..	8,329	253,919	6,036	769,383
1936 ..	263,454	14,750	157,889	..	6,882	206,656	4,176	659,807
1937 ..	336,628	44,127	202,614	..	12,421	260,673	(b)7,205	863,668
1938(c)	286,768	28,650	141,547	..	7,421	244,037	(b)3,205	711,628

COAL (Black and Brown).

1935 ..	4,887,341	599,697	843,034	..	318,013	86,204	..	6,734,289
1936 ..	5,126,850	577,749	858,732	..	331,565	92,269	..	6,987,165
1937 ..	5,823,469	497,319	934,107	..	340,444	66,883	..	7,662,222
1938 ..	6,603,842	539,822	958,884	..	375,083	61,991	..	7,590,622
1939 ..	6,763,659	645,766	1,107,844	..	362,811	74,460	..	9,019,540
1940 ..	6,125,585	622,001	1,151,567	..	364,500	63,688	..	8,327,341

ALL MINERALS.

1935 ..	9,210,820	1,394,253	2,887,440	2,498,617	6,107,990	1,071,507	76,900	28,247,527
1936 ..	10,136,789	1,623,003	3,613,511	2,513,359	7,771,454	1,624,036	98,601	27,380,753
1937 ..	11,981,891	1,832,195	4,392,492	2,509,449	9,230,182	2,282,365	(b)205,851	32,434,425
1938 ..	10,731,391	1,884,015	3,966,119	2,932,473	10,844,469	1,889,804	(b)214,724	32,462,995
1939 ..	12,123,751	2,248,169	4,556,962	3,320,181	12,288,532	2,056,741	(b)244,478	36,838,814
1940(d)	12,791,293	2,596,117	5,105,629	3,218,237	13,230,552	2,749,817	(b)311,024	40,002,669

(a) Year ended 30th June. (b) Year ended December. (c) Later figures are not available for publication. (d) Subject to revision.

ESTIMATED GROSS VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry and Bee-farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufacturing. (a)	Total.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
1934-35 ..	68,587	74,556	44,763	10,856	19,949	137,638	356,349
1935-36 ..	75,388	91,286	47,533	11,424	23,248	155,891	404,770
1936-37 ..	91,403	105,499	49,886	11,765	27,381	170,811	456,745
1937-38 ..	93,229	100,794	57,641	14,755	32,434	188,061	486,914
1938-39 ..	76,851	84,895	60,404	14,634	32,463	195,746	464,993
1939-40 ..	95,369	104,972	62,070	15,347	36,839	212,488	527,085

(a) Net value. These amounts differ from those given in the following tables, owing to the inclusion in those tables of certain products which in this table are included with Dairy Farming and Forestry.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed. (a)	Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value of Production.	Value of Output.
	No.	No.	£	£	£	£	£
1935-36	24,894	492,771	82,098,288	239,840,993	238,974,797	162,437,363	414,688,455
1936-37	25,668	523,948	90,123,132	246,203,232	260,578,903	177,684,645	451,829,278
1937-38	26,395	559,160	102,078,550	257,998,600	287,243,412	196,488,024	498,779,141
1938-39	26,941	565,106	106,743,062	274,582,541	311,303,446	203,416,610	500,419,977
1939-40	27,111	587,663	114,517,633	285,209,557	315,076,697	221,295,153	553,253,317
1940-41	27,300	650,073	137,919,068	305,449,890	367,157,852	257,914,349	644,794,908

(a) Including working proprietors.

(b) Excluding amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—DETAILS FOR STATES.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39.							
1. Factories .. No.	9,464	9,250	3,087	2,067	2,129	944	26,941
2. Hands employed (a) ..	228,781	201,831	54,110	43,371	23,211	13,802	565,106
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	44,606,497	36,026,542	10,887,229	8,169,350	4,573,553	2,479,886	108,743,062
4. Value of fuel used .. £	7,651,627	3,999,934	1,423,549	1,017,537	1,169,268	438,006	15,699,921
5. „ materials used .. £	120,501,795	82,971,608	42,696,040	20,308,797	9,603,657	5,321,540	281,803,446
6. „ production .. £	90,265,891	65,996,069	19,301,475	13,678,930	8,775,586	5,398,659	203,416,610
7. „ output of fact's .. £	218,419,313	162,967,611	63,321,073	35,005,264	19,543,511	11,158,205	500,419,977
8. „ land & buildings .. £	57,353,625	42,026,245	12,299,089	8,710,700	6,813,653	3,717,102	130,920,414
9. „ plant & machinery .. £	62,692,956	38,626,743	13,095,415	9,749,679	8,095,064	6,402,270	143,662,127

1939-40.

1. Factories .. No.	9,458	9,215	3,064	2,265	2,129	980	27,111
2. Hands employed (a) ..	230,974	212,461	55,541	45,050	22,967	14,670	587,663
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	47,692,551	39,576,293	11,440,661	8,546,800	4,575,180	2,686,148	114,517,633
4. Value of fuel used .. £	8,135,614	4,358,419	1,538,782	1,130,137	1,198,104	620,321	18,881,467
5. „ materials used .. £	134,453,735	95,917,551	46,241,222	22,162,881	10,081,364	6,219,944	315,076,697
6. „ production .. £	96,609,307	74,028,431	20,973,138	14,403,520	9,027,723	6,253,029	221,295,153
7. „ output of fact's .. £	239,198,656	174,304,401	68,753,142	37,686,538	20,307,286	12,993,294	553,253,817
8. „ land & buildings .. £	58,939,150	43,791,176	12,456,458	9,539,249	6,863,468	3,775,605	135,365,106
9. „ plant & machinery .. £	64,801,684	40,905,886	18,217,831	11,106,194	8,025,068	6,787,888	149,844,451

1940-41

1. Factories .. No.	9,919	9,121	2,972	2,230	2,056	1,002	27,300
2. Hands employed (a) ..	265,751	237,636	57,269	50,844	22,734	15,839	650,073
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	57,759,532	49,796,007	12,163,763	10,418,901	4,720,563	3,059,702	137,919,068
4. Value of fuel used .. £	9,620,123	5,133,787	1,655,937	1,400,633	1,309,743	597,429	19,722,707
5. „ materials used .. £	161,252,339	115,209,347	46,936,189	25,283,544	11,498,304	6,978,129	367,157,852
6. „ production .. £	115,044,388	89,000,711	21,644,338	16,916,102	9,018,922	6,291,883	257,914,349
7. „ output of fact's .. £	285,916,850	209,348,845	70,236,464	43,600,329	21,824,974	13,867,446	644,794,908
8. „ land & buildings .. £	61,886,523	47,092,751	12,594,215	11,450,505	6,802,438	4,237,169	144,093,656
9. „ plant & machinery .. £	68,533,346	44,985,756	18,501,758	14,391,653	7,394,680	7,549,041	161,356,234

(a) Including working proprietors.

(b) Excluding amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

Class of Industry.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.
	£	£	£	£
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products ..	4,850,039	5,146,151	5,167,331	5,733,723
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	5,437,312	5,571,757	5,544,216	6,154,014
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils and Grease ..	11,909,939	12,456,370	14,154,787	18,395,727
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Implements and Conveyances ..	60,143,682	62,434,973	67,121,371	85,949,318
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery and Plate ..	956,652	931,085	1,034,742	1,274,021
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods ..	10,262,066	10,917,765	14,070,938	17,936,299
VII. Skins and Leather ..	3,001,056	3,182,881	3,807,146	4,465,300
VIII. Clothing ..	15,867,392	16,551,031	17,458,783	19,638,286
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	40,393,914	41,601,107	45,436,266	48,516,665
X. Woodworking and Basketware ..	9,312,921	9,460,742	10,080,889	11,371,496
XI. Furniture, Bedding, &c. ..	4,270,599	4,200,035	4,183,018	4,648,226
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c. ..	14,188,137	14,559,073	15,358,198	16,237,985
XIII. Rubber ..	2,461,962	2,761,075	3,089,764	3,055,014
XIV. Musical Instruments ..	144,403	136,432	141,324	169,337
XV. Miscellaneous Products ..	2,180,438	2,097,998	2,432,047	2,788,046
XVI. Heat, Light and Power ..	11,107,512	11,408,135	12,214,334	11,580,892
Total ..	196,488,024	203,416,610	221,295,153	257,914,349

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1940-41.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages(a) ..	20.20	23.79	17.32	23.90	21.63	22.06	21.39
Fuel and Light ..	3.36	2.45	2.36	3.21	6.00	4.31	3.06
Materials used ..	56.40	55.03	66.82	57.99	52.68	50.32	56.94
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses and charges ..	20.04	18.73	13.50	14.90	19.69	23.31	18.61
Total output	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Wages on value of Production ..	50.21	55.95	56.20	61.59	52.35	48.63	53.47

(a) Excluding amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee.(a)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1937-38—Males ..	230.39	218.89	232.20	212.08	227.42	205.96	224.35
Females ..	99.41	103.62	91.25	85.65	93.36	91.26	99.69
1938-39—Males ..	239.24	224.47	238.59	220.95	235.49	212.09	231.84
Females ..	103.66	108.25	96.00	86.44	99.58	93.19	103.92
1939-40—Males ..	247.12	233.40	244.01	223.78	240.48	215.82	239.08
Females ..	107.20	113.55	98.71	90.85	99.45	97.41	108.09
1940-41—Males ..	265.35	260.54	249.92	242.30	251.14	229.34	258.77
Females ..	115.79	125.37	102.43	101.13	102.11	107.18	117.65

(a) Excluding working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1940-41.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males ..	194,194	161,880	46,567	40,072	18,004	12,341	473,058
Females ..	71,557	75,756	10,702	10,772	4,730	3,498	177,015
Masculinity(a) ..	271	214	435	372	381	353	267

(a) Number of males per 100 females.

Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.

SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED.—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1933-34 ..	4,481,616	870,955	5,352,571	4,770,663	640,647	5,411,310
1934-35 ..	4,846,060	1,148,190	5,994,250	5,340,159	554,635	5,894,794
1935-36 ..	5,290,675	947,001	6,237,676	5,598,276	708,608	6,306,884
1936-37 ..	5,440,911	833,279	6,274,190	5,611,826	725,755	6,337,581
1937-38 ..	5,911,146	1,217,258	7,128,404	6,078,499	1,014,559	7,093,058
1938-39 ..	5,964,039	746,960	6,710,999	5,989,521	845,192	6,834,713

NOTE.—Later figures are not available for publication.

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and Shipped, States. (,000 omitted.)

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns, but are additional.

State or Territory.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.	Tons— Weight.	Tons— Measure- ment.
1933-39.								
New South Wales ..	3,167	676	1,179	1,112	2,736	672	1,679	359
Victoria ..	2,283	251	1,465	609	267	256	589	270
Queensland ..	325	396	340	176	317	152	864	64
South Australia ..	853	223	497	184	2,630	260	1,171	91
Western Australia ..	158	175	647	94	55	65	768	175
Tasmania ..	285	259	73	13	614	324	67	134
Northern Territory ..	3	23	2	3	2	2	..	..
Total ..	7,074	2,003	4,208	2,191	7,221	1,731	5,138	1,093
Total 1937-38 ..	6,909	2,114	4,366	2,280	7,032	1,877	5,781	1,088
" 1936-37 ..	6,416	1,830	3,656	2,024	6,501	1,597	5,023	933
" 1935-36 ..	5,241	1,964	3,532	1,949	5,541	1,503	5,214	894
" 1934-35 ..	5,070	1,656	2,970	1,722	5,244	1,346	5,221	858

NOTE.—Later figures are not available for publication.

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st DECEMBER, 1942.

These rates (except those marked with an asterisk) are subject to a "war-time risk" surcharge of 15 per cent.

(Subject to adjustment on account of exchange when freight prepaid in Australia—18 per cent. on refrigerated cargo rates and 25 per cent. on other cargo rates.)

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	5s. 8d. per box (56 lb.).
Cheese (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Eggs (in shell) ..	..	..	..	168s. per ton measurement.
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—				
Beef ..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Lamb ..	..	..	..	1½d. " "
Mutton ..	..	..	..	1½d. " "
Rabbits and Hares ..	..	..	..	122s. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins ..	..	..	..	107s. " " "
Sausage Casings (dried in casks or cases) ..	..	..	..	107s. " " "
Milk and Cream (condensed) ..	..	..	..	107s. " " "

FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—

*Sugar (Raw) ..	..	..	..	153s. per ton weight.
Jams ..	..	..	..	85s. per ton measurement.
Jellies ..	..	..	..	107s. " " "
Dried Fruits ..	..	..	..	85s. " " "
Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	6s. per bushel case.
Oranges (bushel cases) ..	..	..	..	6s. " " "
*Wheat, Unprepared, Parcels ..	..	..	..	135s. 6d. per ton weight.
*Barley, Unprepared ..	..	..	..	150s. 9d. " " "
*Oats, Unprepared ..	..	..	..	160s. " " "
*Maize, Unprepared ..	..	..	..	149s. " " "
*Flour, Wheaten ..	..	..	..	145s. 6d. " " "
*Bran ..	..	..	..	164s. " " "
*Pollard ..	..	..	..	155s. " " "
*Rice (clean, husked) ..	..	..	..	155s. " " "
WINE ..	..	..	..	107s. per ton measurement.

ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—

Hides and Skins—Calf ..	..	..	..	½d. per lb.
Sheep ..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Rabbit ..	..	..	..	2½d. " " "
Other ..	..	..	..	2½d. " " "
Pearl-shell ..	..	..	..	107s. per ton measurement.
Wool—Greasy ..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Tops ..	..	..	..	2½d. per lb.

VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—

Compressed Fodder ..	..	..	..	107s. per ton measurement.
*Bark, Tanning ..	..	..	..	107s. per ton weight.
Copra ..	..	..	..	104s. 3d. per ton measurement.
Sandalwood ..	..	..	..	107s. " " "
Raw Cotton (in bales) ..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.

**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and
Continent at 31st December, 1942—continued.**

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—	
Apparel and Attire	107s. per ton measurement.
Binder Twine	187s. per ton weight.
OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—	
Oils, Eucalyptus	107s. per ton measurement.
Other	120s. 3d. per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined	120s. 3d. " " "
PAINTS AND VARNISHES	107s. per ton measurement.
ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—	
Ore (in casks)	126s. per ton weight.
*Zinc, Ex Risdson	50s. " " "
*Other than above	81s. " " "
Dust (in casks)	252s. " " "
Sheet (in casks)	110s. " " "
*Copper	90s. " " "
*Lead	81s. " " "
*Steel, Billets (up to 20 ft.)	111s. " " "
* " (over 20 and up to 30 ft.)	127s. " " "
Tyres	94s. 6d. " " "
Tin, Clippings in Ingot form	36s. 6d. " " "
RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR—	
Rubber	96s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Leather	234s. 3d. per ton weight.
WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—	
Timber, Logs up to 40 ft. lengths	40s. per 100 super. feet.
" over 40 and up to 50 ft. lengths	43s. " " "
" over 50 and up to 60 ft. lengths	46s. 3d. " " "
Sawn, Undressed, up to 30 ft. lengths	23s. 6d. " " "
EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA AND GLASS	107s. per ton measurement.
STATIONERY	107s. " " "
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—	
Fertilizers	107s. " " "
MISCELLANEOUS—	
Soap	107s. " " "
Caseln	168s. 3d. " " "
SPECIAL	25s. per cent.

**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS' SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,
GENERAL CARGO, 31st DECEMBER, 1942.**

Interstate rates are subject, in addition, to "war-time risk" surcharges of 30 per cent. and 35 per cent.
New Zealand Rates as shown include surcharges, particulars of which are shown in the notes.
Island Rates as shown include 35 per cent. surcharge.

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To—	From—		
	Brisbane.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
Brisbane	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Sydney	23 0	23 0	30 0
Melbourne	20 0	22 0	22 0
Adelaide	38 0	30 0	22 0
Fremantle	48 0a 58 0b	43 0	38 0
Hobart	45 0c 39 0a	22 0	22 0
Launceston	34 0g 34 0a	22 0	20 0
Devonport, Burnie	34 0g 34 0a	22 0	20 0
Auckland .. .. .	..	46 6	46 6h 83 8bij
Wellington .. .. .	..	46 6d	46 6dh 83 8eij
Lyttleton .. .. .	..	46 6	46 6h 82 0f
Dunedin .. .. .	..	46 6	46 6h 82 0fi
New Hebrides	81.0	81.0	116.9c
Norfolk Island .. .. .	..	67.6	103.3c
Papua	81.0	81.0	101.3a

(a) Direct.

(b) Transhipped at Sydney, Melbourne or Adelaide.

(c) Including transhipment.

(d) Plus Wellington Harbour Improvement charges, 1s.

(e) Transhipped at Sydney, plus 1s., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.

(f) Transhipped at Wellington, plus 1s., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.

(g) Plus 7s. per ton transhipment charges at Sydney.

(h) Includes war surcharge of 12½ per cent. plus 7½ per cent.

(i) Includes war surcharge of 12½ per cent. on 38s. 6d. plus 7½ per cent.

(j) Includes war surcharge of 35 per cent. on 22s.

COMMERCE—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS.

BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

State or Territory.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40. (a)	1940-41. (a)
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	40,955,861	51,062,364	46,347,953		
Victoria	32,593,726	39,222,998	35,455,336		
Queensland	6,904,102	8,237,506	7,955,818		
South Australia	5,438,429	7,473,802	5,851,043	(b)	(b)
Western Australia	5,657,562	6,394,342	5,383,710		
Tasmania	1,032,662	1,539,345	1,133,086		
Northern Territory	58,120	44,703	29,400		
Total	92,640,462	113,975,060	102,156,352	115,675,505	108,650,056

VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS.(c)

AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

State or Territory.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40. (a)	1940-41. (a)
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	57,302,512	48,411,644	45,903,080		
Victoria	43,587,646	41,243,067	30,819,012		
Queensland	23,893,265	26,558,516	28,651,842		
South Australia	16,748,140	10,057,243	14,840,603	(b)	(b)
Western Australia	17,295,787	10,471,792	17,070,499		
Tasmania	3,522,789	2,831,205	3,198,547		
Northern Territory	26,645	6,053	12,729		
Total(d)	162,376,784	157,580,120	140,496,312	148,749,558	134,737,577

(a) Merchandise only. (b) Not available for publication. (c) Goods destined for overseas countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transhipment to the overseas country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally dispatched. (d) Estimated British currency values are shown below.

EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE OF, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

Year.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.(a)			Value per Head.								
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.						
								Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
1936-37	222,304,780	92,640,462	126,501,534	3,162,784	129,664,318	32 13 5	13 12 4	18 11 9	0 9 4	19 1 1				
1937-38	239,812,939	113,975,080	122,675,945	3,161,934	125,837,879	34 18 9	16 12 1	17 17 5	0 9 3	18 0 8				
1938-39	214,357,724	102,156,352	108,188,167	4,013,205	112,201,372	30 18 10	14 14 11	15 12 4	0 11 7	16 3 11				
1939-40	234,437,627	115,675,505	117,280,891	1,481,231	118,762,122	33 10 2	16 10 8	16 15 3	0 4 3	16 19 6				
1940-41	216,224,968	108,650,056	106,015,055	1,569,857	107,574,912	30 16 9	15 9 11	15 2 5	0 4 5	15 6 10				
1941-42 (nine mths.)	178,107,966	96,088,767	80,578,157	1,441,042	82,019,199	..	..	..	..	..

(a) Excluding the value of Stores shipped in Australian ports on board overseas ships. The values of Ships' Stores in Australian currency were:—1936-37, £1,740,437; 1937-38, £2,091,249; 1938-39, £2,105,619; 1939-40, £2,539,846; 1940-41, £3,528,555. (b) Merchandise only.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£	£	£	£(a)	£	£(b)	£	£	£
1936-37	90,591,580	2,048,882	92,640,462	118,001,123	11,663,195	129,664,318	27,409,543	9,614,313	37,023,856
1937-38	111,733,254	2,241,806	113,975,060	112,281,676	13,556,203	125,837,879	548,422	11,314,397	11,862,819
1938-39	99,313,150	2,843,202	102,156,352	97,032,575	15,168,797	112,201,372	-2,280,575	12,325,595	10,045,020
1939-40	115,675,505	(c)	(c)	118,762,122	(c)	(c)	3,086,617	(c)	(c)
1940-41	108,650,056	(c)	(c)	107,574,912	(c)	(c)	-1,075,144	(c)	(c)
1941-42 (nine mths.)	96,088,767	(c)	(c)	82,019,199	(c)	(c)	-14,069,568	(c)	(c)

(a) The values in Australian currency were:—1936-37, £147,796,407; 1937-38, £140,632,800; 1938-39, £121,538,300; 1939-40, £148,749,558; 1940-41, £134,737,577; and 1941-42 (nine months), £102,729,047. (b) The values in Australian currency are shown above. (c) Not available for publication.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions and Total Net Revenue collected during the December quarters of 1941 and 1942, the six months ended December, 1941 and 1942, and the financial years 1940-41 and 1941-42.

Division.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December—		Financial Year—	
	1941.	1942.	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CUSTOMS.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages ..	233,594	195,975	559,891	398,433	965,618	887,482
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof ..	1,505,657	2,263,373	2,936,038	3,910,891	4,989,565	5,871,161
3. Sugar ..	8	25	1,578	87	6,606	18,795
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries ..	220,298	265,829	524,692	430,554	1,180,760	878,849
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire ..	483,016	422,694	1,039,419	819,048	2,081,199	2,206,090
6. Metals and Machinery ..	344,421	377,037	743,425	775,419	1,384,533	1,611,945
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..	2,093,680	1,783,303	3,980,770	3,281,236	12,018,228	7,452,493
8. Earthenware, &c. ..	63,140	46,077	144,722	89,234	277,703	257,491
9. Drugs and Chemicals ..	54,560	84,196	133,320	137,187	260,464	240,632
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane ..	69,601	17,548	129,714	36,396	345,465	202,407
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	101,530	85,194	233,279	169,446	479,820	411,512
12. Leather and Rubber ..	126,291	44,345	261,878	89,312	377,798	402,902
13. Paper and Stationery ..	29,375	18,761	71,800	32,749	191,654	122,316
14. Vehicles ..	267,742	61,323	557,131	93,169	508,605	721,724
15. Musical Instruments ..	717	300	2,465	1,176	7,542	3,946
16. Miscellaneous ..	231,272	192,852	475,075	344,068	800,210	896,091
Primage ..	891,517	689,790	1,848,785	1,320,572	3,623,635	3,361,287
Ships' Stores ..	7,229	8,628	17,253	16,673	41,341	33,207
Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..	26,093	27,372	44,668	52,494	80,698	112,344
Special War Duty ..	334,842	336,079	714,516	572,329	1,466,738	1,283,340
Total Customs ..	7,084,583	6,920,701	14,420,419	12,570,423	31,078,182	26,976,014
EXCISE.						
Beer ..	4,424,973	5,642,656	7,184,476	9,222,963	11,841,156	14,362,561
Carbonic Acid Gas ..	98,012	93,527	126,456	175,431	90,019	324,067
Cigarette Papers ..	189,654	221,859	417,615	444,142	690,651	816,809
Matches ..	122,874	333,980	213,621	529,355	244,825	526,135
Petrol ..	446,030	119,303	853,510	205,289	1,802,912	1,278,162
Playing Cards ..	3,863	11,671	7,744	16,847	13,455	12,491
Spirits ..	640,728	1,038,496	1,626,753	2,077,612	2,541,499	3,059,783
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff ..	955,309	4,945,597	5,280,488	8,745,405	7,805,895	11,232,812
Other Excise, including Licences, &c. ..	80,167	62,546	125,596	139,919	131,201	221,354
Total Excise ..	8,961,610	12,469,635	15,836,264	21,556,963	25,161,613	31,834,174
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	16,046,193	19,390,336	30,256,683	34,127,386	56,239,795	58,810,188
Drawbacks and Repayments ..	485,851	507,171	1,017,168	1,090,398	2,463,395	2,032,844
TOTAL NET REVENUE ..	15,560,342	18,883,165	29,239,515	33,036,988	53,776,400	56,777,344

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to revision.)

IMPORTS (BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES).

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins	227,690	48,121	504,802	120,319
Fresh, Smoked, Potted, &c.	36,245	29,860	152,175	106,293
Meats—				
Preserved in Tins	1,414	2,330	3,861	4,882
Potted and Concentrated ..	3,081	2,444	13,543	8,095
Sausage Casings	36,924	92,708	125,851	239,483
Other	233	20,671	284	22,829
Milk and Cream	107	13,610	685	16,970
Other Animal Foodstuffs ..	8,184	16,709	24,661	34,255
Total, Class I.	313,878	226,453	825,862	553,126
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN, &c.				
Caramel and Cocoa Butter ..	6,610	3,757	61,798	9,021
Cocoa and Chocolate	110,583	85,438	230,170	145,408
Coffee and Chicory	35,961	53,249	99,195	163,043
Confectionery	1,279	786	2,776	3,479
Fruits—				
Dried, including Dates ..	14,373	67,091	86,520	81,727
Fresh—				
Bananas	3,438	..	9,682	4,907
Other	237	1,559	524	2,118
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i. preserved in liquid	4,238	3,282	5,660	5,068
Ginger	5,071	2,917	16,525	10,564
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared	38,278	46,068	81,346	147,007
Prepared—				
Rice	3,927	1,034	10,229	18,905
Other	2,279	19,321	7,181	29,353
Infants' and Invalids' Foods ..	5,411	4,842	22,970	17,939
Liquorice	976	297	9,460	5,805
Mustard	43	..	102	2
Nuts, Edible	80,345	32,991	232,211	230,788
Pickles and Sauces	740	466	3,811	3,221
Sago and Tapioca	20,142	10,357	46,241	46,302
Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape ..	7,322	14,135	30,014	38,368
Spices	19,546	33,990	58,346	100,012
Sugar and Sugar Products ..	8,378	8,082	35,991	37,019
Tea	852,989	537,022	2,094,301	3,006,733
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	13,964	21,605	147,552	67,529
Total, Class II.	1,236,130	948,289	3,292,605	4,174,318
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry ..	1,437	2,166	10,913	6,189
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy	18	8	3,327	104
Gin	7,132	2,271	27,074	14,251
Rum	310	733	7,084	1,896
Whisky	104,907	56,056	438,303	197,399
Other, including Liqueurs ..	2,921	2,196	10,412	6,327
Wine (Fermented)—				
Sparkling .. ..	..	20	1,127	145
Other	243	343	2,846	2,252
Total, Class III.	116,968	63,793	501,086	228,563

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	2,907	15,329	26,565	41,822
Unmanufactured	108,963	495,353	284,682	675,237
Cigars	70	1	587	453
Cigarettes	2,414	7,579	6,434	28,243
Snuff	200	449	439	904
Total, Class IV. ..	114,554	518,711	318,707	746,659
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS ..	18,165	2,408	39,652	31,380
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..	5,948	4,816	17,786	12,517
Gut, Natural and Imitation ..	3,127	250	10,195	2,183
Hair and Fibre	26,426	30,097	132,485	160,423
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse ..	10,433	54,290	42,655	128,107
Sheep	211	26	1,815	3,300
Other	20,242	28,225	140,511	159,031
Silk, Raw	86,450	2,593	458,062	52,513
Wool	37,783	40,755	93,583	110,739
Other Animal Substances ..	9,324	4,630	27,614	40,449
Total, Class VI. ..	208,944	165,682	924,706	699,262
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.				
Copra	36,731	57,411	124,544	184,981
Cork and Cork Manufactures ..	52,683	24,278	111,515	110,504
Fibres—				
Cotton, Raw	236,845	(a)	659,714	(a)
Kapok	34,844	49,054	111,626	167,596
Other	122,747	120,288	403,585	564,291
Grass or Straw for Hatmaking, Furniture, Mats, &c. ..	3,404	9,573	18,617	21,133
Gums and Resins	101,407	150,125	343,099	430,565
Pulp for Paper-making ..	82,586	53,134	520,123	482,025
Seeds—				
Gardening and Horticultural	13,445	12,313	30,414	23,462
Linseed	96,016	59,507	440,949	442,247
Other	52,279	34,881	135,005	115,269
Tanning Substances	19,617	68,166	60,117	128,633
Other Vegetable Substances ..	4,004	3,777	13,611	9,757
Total, Class VII. ..	856,608	(a)	2,972,919	(a)
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE.				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c. (other than knitted) ..	7,651	11,025	23,038	30,325
Boots and Shoes	13,241	13,410	53,835	42,709
Buttons	18,016	21,910	69,356	57,858
Furs and Skins wholly or partly made up, dressed or prepared	28,128	5,612	127,130	39,879
Gloves	48,287	134,272	161,956	331,818
Hats and Caps	14,665	36,817	83,717	103,110
Knitted Articles of Apparel—				
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, &c.	3,493	12,414	12,105	25,243
Socks and Stockings ..	2,738	11,531	13,562	24,524
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. ..	1,060	928	6,302	2,864
Trimmings and Ornaments ..	57,842	66,978	185,752	205,224
Other Apparel and Attire ..	118,843	73,974	232,202	537,596
Total, Apparel and Attire	313,964	388,871	968,955	1,401,150

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VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS VIII.—(b) TEXTILES.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Floor Coverings	298,071	374,873	1,151,984	1,470,143
Cosies, Cushions, D'Oyleys ..	5,886	13,432	29,741	39,657
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen	30,197	79,602	155,358	234,945
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck	217,484	231,018	772,523	702,600
Cotton and Linen	1,537,843	2,059,060	5,852,321	6,156,357
Hessian and Jute Piece Goods	200,349	104,826	671,097	670,511
Lace for Attire, &c.	37,490	71,725	138,186	213,692
Silk, including Artificial Silk..	550,625	969,388	2,405,114	2,404,597
Velvets, Plushes, &c.	40,263	67,766	100,364	167,582
Woollens	46,323	212,007	138,532	445,124
Other	257,392	298,893	717,225	820,709
Quilts, Tablecloths, Sheets, &c.	21,951	49,907	100,414	141,707
Sewing Cottons, Threads, &c. ..	168,661	137,672	579,679	473,038
Towels and Towelling	78,681	160,849	292,422	449,347
Other Textiles	32,870	95,739	128,423	228,595
Total, Textiles	3,524,086	4,926,757	13,233,383	14,618,604
CLASS VIII.—(c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
Bags and Sacks—				
Bran, Chaff and Fodder	64,190	23,703	193,395	86,941
Corn and Flour	263,701	337,759	1,527,172	2,011,703
Wool-packs	340,856	14,644	882,594	395,363
Other	5,670	5,280	17,176	65,329
Cordage and Twines	39,757	85,285	181,214	154,740
Yarns—				
Artificial Silk	181,326	312,789	899,292	992,275
Cotton	148,718	150,482	545,825	545,270
Wool	5,084	4,314	22,775	42,458
Other	11,163	16,350	40,602	42,491
Total, Yarns, &c.	1,060,465	950,606	4,310,045	4,336,570
Total, Class VIII.	4,898,515	6,266,234	18,512,383	20,356,324
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c.	73,228	45,795	239,536	356,799
Linseed Oil	1,442	..	4,491	1,227
Olive Oil	11,372	5,109	23,681	29,683
Other Oils				
Total, Class IX.				
Included in Grand Total.				
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Paints and Colours	113,831	128,673	496,656	502,301
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c.	2,623	4,627	8,836	17,373
Total, Class X.	116,454	133,300	505,492	519,674
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.				
Asphalt, Bitumen and Pitch..	27,346	79,238	133,848	149,962
Stone (including Marble and Slate)—				
Abrasives	39,551	(a)	153,864	(a)
Other Stones	2,217	2,705	8,594	12,324
Other Minerals, &c.	127,771	111,457	460,212	439,818
Total, Class XI.	196,885	(a)	756,518	(a)

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VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS XII.—(a) MACHINES AND MACHINERY.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Electrical Machinery, &c.—				
Batteries and Accumulators ..	10,863	19,372	26,704	52,911
Cable and Wire, covered ..	257,528	219,158	956,061	729,053
Dynamo Electric Machines ..	143,398	181,830	499,212	440,056
Lamps, Filament ..	23,451	58,064	117,380	134,746
Telegraph, Telephone Instruments, &c. ..	51,498	62,748	286,867	317,236
Other ..	244,530	266,593	944,269	897,885
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c., Machinery ..	10,904	6,912	54,978	23,184
Dairying Machinery ..	17,433	17,283	55,143	47,447
Mining Machinery ..	37,944	48,773	215,748	136,983
Motive-power Machinery ..	927,369	413,128	2,286,742	2,811,916
Printing Machinery ..	50,271	16,533	104,099	40,727
Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings	108,253	182,247	310,474	422,622
Sewing Machines ..	46,228	27,721	308,533	185,332
Sheep-shearing Machinery ..	7,278	10,201	20,812	29,213
Weighing Machines ..	3,998	9,705	18,229	29,491
Yarn and Textile Machinery ..	118,666	123,116	516,675	435,670
Other Machines and Machinery	1,274,263	(a)	3,336,451	(a)
Total, Machines and Machinery	3,333,875	(a)	10,058,377	(a)
CLASS XII.—(b) METALS AND MANUFACTURES.				
Bolts, Nuts, Rivets, Washers ..	4,876	5,464	20,982	23,574
Leaf and Foil ..	36,755	15,507	116,056	108,727
Nails ..	4,733	6,508	18,889	22,669
Pins, Hooks, Eyes, &c. ..	16,996	19,363	73,498	67,733
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c.	1,031	1,450	1,031	1,946
Wire ..	19,381	25,426	61,516	78,717
Lamps and Lampware ..	31,392	43,399	137,042	138,122
Platedware and Cutlery ..	107,938	119,725	442,003	453,642
Tools of Trade ..	162,920	235,711	585,605	703,512
Cycles and Cycle Parts ..	62,551	82,150	251,593	286,026
Motor Cars, &c.—				
Bodies and Parts ..	764	332	20,927	4,414
Chassis and Parts ..	340,853	923,117	2,677,060	4,537,575
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c. ..	9,085	79,594	42,263	152,706
Other ..	4,115,977	(a)	12,531,408	(a)
Total, Metals, &c. ..	4,915,252	(a)	16,979,873	(a)
Total, Class XII. ..	8,249,127	(a)	27,038,250	(a)
CLASS XIII.—(a) RUBBER AND MANUFACTURES.				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c. ..	696,269	(a)	1,738,889	(a)
Rubber Manufactures—				
Boot and Apparel Elastic, Rubber Thread ..	38,688	75,147	137,503	183,325
Tyres, Pneumatic and Other ..	2,699	80,123	9,446	124,943
Other ..	17,916	22,270	61,872	58,566
Total, Rubber, &c. ..	755,572	(a)	1,947,710	(a)

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VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—continued.

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS XIII.—(b) LEATHER, ETC.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Leather	8,526	15,527	28,870	40,714
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	15,735	17,137	50,023	57,417
Total, Leather, &c. ..	24,261	32,664	78,893	98,131
Total, Class XIII. ..	779,833	(a)	2,026,603	(a)
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber—				
Dressed	23,812	6,292	67,754	57,306
Undressed	208,268	(a)	527,721	(a)
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..	64,112	23,909	185,250	147,583
Total, Class XIV. ..	296,192	(a)	780,725	(a)
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Crockery and other Household Ware	108,951	162,641	456,804	538,975
Glass and Glassware	125,286	148,740	430,454	583,784
Other Earthenware, Cements, China and Stoneware ..	76,436	115,004	236,243	356,403
Total, Class XV. ..	310,673	426,385	1,123,501	1,479,162
CLASS XVI.—(a) PAPER.				
Millboards and other boards ..	46,167	(a)	170,454	(a)
Parchment	41,304		160,103	
Printing	329,080		1,854,958	
Wrapping	121,560		328,317	
Writing and Typewriting ..	174,118		714,200	
Other	128,213		411,825	
Total, Paper	840,442		3,639,857	
CLASS XVI.—(b) STATIONERY, ETC.				
Books (printed), Directories, &c. ..	153,098	192,684	594,270	624,960
Price Lists, Circulars, &c. ..	6,223	4,981	24,356	21,031
Paperhangings and Wallpapers ..	11,372	15,496	35,831	60,056
Pens and Pencils	27,714	34,872	125,848	115,145
Other Stationery	69,771	80,254	252,873	298,832
Total, Stationery, &c. ..	268,178	328,287	1,033,178	1,120,024
Total, Class XVI. ..	1,108,620	(a)	4,673,035	(a)
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, ETC.				
Fancy Goods—				
Articles for games	5,830	8,760	43,629	28,947
Toys	7,412	11,964	79,382	69,074
Other	26,880	52,154	121,014	146,431
Jewellery—				
Precious Stones (Unset)—				
Pearls, Cameos, &c. ..	55,807	17,633	110,969	97,442
Other	13,036	19,490	50,103	72,723
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c. ..	125,279	64,662	235,305	193,745
Total, Class XVII. ..	234,244	174,663	640,402	608,362

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VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—continued.

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
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CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
Films for Cinematographs, &c...	123,238	148,959	368,801	463,179
Optical and Meteorological Instruments, &c.	30,417	28,345	98,342	98,938
Surgical and Dental Instruments	120,376	167,131	425,194	469,599
Phonographs, &c.	13,322	8,373	34,994	26,549
Other Instruments	74,343	120,591	297,226	386,873
Total, Class XVIII.	361,696	473,399	1,224,557	1,445,138
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acids	43,477	(a)	122,325	(a)
Argol	35,138	11,257	86,822	53,961
Cream of Tartar and Substitutes	10,990	107	26,722	586
Drugs, Medicinal Preparations—				
Proprietary Medicines	70,371	67,154	278,290	208,057
Other	81,800	98,298	289,070	345,269
Dyes	137,218	116,674	457,279	505,082
Fertilizers	65,538	104,242	635,319	446,969
Insecticides, Washes and Dips . .	10,312	16,935	54,918	67,625
Oils, Essential (non-spirituous)..	35,370	36,299	122,306	132,450
Perfumery and Preparations . . .	41,173	58,446	126,660	167,364
Salt	6,639	31,142	27,813	29,247
Spirituous Preparations—				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices, Syrups..	4,986	2,725	12,776	12,498
Other	4,555	20,980	22,318	53,094
Other Drugs and Chemicals . . .	547,380	(a)	1,992,893	(a)
Total, Class XIX.	1,094,947	(a)	4,255,511	(a)
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Articles of Celluloid, &c.	61,267	68,563	136,866	136,640
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, &c.	18,423	29,525	100,852	98,600
Brushware—				
Vacuum Cleaners (Household)	10,727	24,781	62,548	79,472
Other	5,493	16,032	28,945	47,460
Goods imported per parcel post	93,747	104,313	277,076	492,581
Musical Instruments, &c.—				
Pianos	2,233	2,435	8,169	6,161
Player Pianos	178	..	697	154
Piano and Player Piano Parts	430	3,479	5,290	9,853
Other Instruments and Parts	8,793	8,028	40,057	26,369
Oilmen's Stores	20,014	5,523	71,816	31,292
Soap	4,647	1,708,171	24,575	4,405,159
All other Articles				
Total, Class XX	Included in Grand Total.			
Grand Total—MERCHANDISE . . .	23,520,205	27,175,123	81,096,057	96,088,767

ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Grand Total—MERCHANDISE . .	29,459,057	34,036,842	101,572,813	120,351,181

NOTE.—Class XXI. and State Summary are not available for publication.

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EXPORTS (AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES).

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Butter	4,762,747	2,347,148	9,306,273	6,463,915
Butter Substitutes	72,057	136,923	145,627	529,991
Cheese	551,379	431,296	1,263,159	1,187,769
Eggs	165,210	534,907	1,112,313	994,356
Meats—				
Bacon and Hams	131,300	68,819	297,452	376,716
Potted or Concentrated	16,810	15,510	52,539	84,720
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef	228,056	347,588	2,794,623	2,349,115
Lamb	1,087,268	2,032,586	4,465,149	4,192,949
Mutton	58,284	79,173	228,198	156,307
Pork	290,245	204,110	1,227,316	1,003,655
Rabbits and Hares	4,317	343	97,444	7,902
Preserved in Tins	438,207	975,075	1,260,273	3,582,757
Sausage Casings	97,259	137,173	320,455	339,403
Other	100,620	83,436	580,480	254,033
Milk and Cream	441,255	408,702	1,130,347	1,785,041
Other Animal Foodstuffs	25,188	31,970	86,286	357,298
Total, Class I. ..	8,470,202	7,834,759	24,367,934	23,665,927
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa, Coffee and Chicory, Fruit Juices, &c.	48,844	63,808	117,925	262,921
Biscuits	70,755	153,181	166,918	517,405
Confectionery	78,580	52,083	131,750	224,752
Fodders	13,391	7,445	35,987	50,812
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants	13,850	1,448	398,761	254,265
Raisins	37,271	1,904	1,101,176	1,273,436
Other	27,795	30,819	55,846	152,218
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples	11,113	617	82,519	40,416
Citrus	59,911	37,434	200,266	173,642
Other	23,067	625	29,493	5,705
Fruits, preserved in liquid	153,895	82,774	470,304	856,496
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped	22,026	57,854	29,432	89,673
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Barley	169	94,405	83,480	171,352
Wheat	1,987,221	764,068	7,640,299	1,834,402
Other	68,362	9,164	125,582	45,806
Prepared—				
Bran, Pollard and Sharps	30,549	19,509	105,515	57,048
Flour (Wheaten)	1,943,930	889,137	5,834,821	3,560,017
Rice	30,976	70,533	178,563	195,997
Other	104,828	76,106	249,368	400,084
Infants' and Invalids' Foods	46	7,166	193	29,603
Jams and Fruit Jellies	141,602	211,715	337,370	928,665
Sugar	668,320	883,126	4,334,921	2,201,718
Tea	14,073	29,782	36,043	103,901
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	101,362	219,833	264,068	839,061
Total, Class II. ..	5,651,936	3,764,536	22,010,600	14,269,395

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—continued.

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry ..	543,334	305,558	879,391	1,369,670
Spirits (Beverages)	119,764	101,395	254,566	508,522
Wine	98,304	82,509	367,984	378,929
Total, Class III. ..	761,402	489,462	1,501,941	2,257,121
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff ..	80,848	144,170	173,446	326,574
Tobacco	84,185	142,126	220,234	406,144
Total, Class IV. ..	165,033	286,296	393,680	732,718
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle	1,670	..	3,664	1,275
Horses	50,702	100	98,213	47,322
Sheep	16,160	8,491	56,552	53,921
Other Living Animals ..	1,864	112	4,141	5,947
Total, Class V. ..	70,396	8,703	162,570	108,465
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES.				
Bêche-de-mer	2,331	..	4,382	4,720
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..	32,949	24,106	108,857	118,147
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse ..	86,080	13,264	334,781	79,336
Fox	1,846	1,222	67,868	121,718
Kangaroo and Wallaby ..	45,741	51,674	235,309	157,588
Opossum	8,259	6,129	81,825	44,278
Rabbit	214,966	222,459	1,180,802	2,623,616
Sheep	126,365	515,899	856,330	928,535
Other	4,994	4,612	13,458	15,983
Pearl-shell	45,435	37,537	164,731	226,519
Trochus-shell	3,025	8,998	6,637	27,287
Wool—				
Greasy	10,326,410	(a)	(a)	(a)
Scoured and Tops ..	946,690	(a)	(a)	(a)
Other Animal Substances ..	22,224	12,561	59,874	56,034
Total, Class VI. ..	11,867,315	(a)	(a)	(a)
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.				
Copra .. ..	..	11,535	12	11,535
Fibres—				
Cotton, raw	1,679	817	4,763	4,041
Other	41,538	48,326	119,447	167,490
Sandalwood	20,142	..	42,246	23,272
Seeds	19,386	16,133	61,561	75,071
Tanning Substances ..	18,204	8,998	50,393	54,694
Other Vegetable Substances ..	12,889	19,427	32,709	54,602
Total, Class VII. ..	113,838	105,236	311,131	390,705

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VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE ; (b) TEXTILES ; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Boots and Shoes	9,405	68,781	26,353	380,848
Other Apparel and Attire ..	149,428	518,774	290,574	1,248,105
Piece Goods	109,848	94,472	280,057	364,256
Other Textiles	46,916	25,871	114,354	331,579
Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage and Yarns ..	145,467	90,034	427,387	388,958
Total, Class VIII. ..	461,064	797,932	1,138,725	2,713,746
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes	59,515	42,778	208,901	140,985
Tallow, unrefined	167,462	(a)	381,427	(a)
Other	77,416	172,017	191,005	418,225
Total, Class IX. ..	304,393	(a)	781,333	(a)
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.	41,327	35,101	137,463	184,138
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.	369,313	(a)	1,295,294	(a)
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) <i>Machines and Machinery</i> ..	705,491	(a)	1,664,960	(a)
(b) <i>Metals and Manufactures</i> ..	2,166,709	(a)	7,589,204	(a)
Total, Class XII. ..	2,872,200	(a)	9,254,164	(a)
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER.				
Rubber and Manufactures ..	77,460	(a)	291,687	(a)
Leather	147,371	(a)	600,937	(a)
Leather Manufactures, &c. ..	21,567	(a)	53,004	(a)
Total, Class XIII. ..	246,398	(a)	945,628	(a)
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber	149,548	172,786	623,536	548,361
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..	63,122	37,276	273,735	152,206
Total, Class XIV. ..	212,670	210,062	897,271	700,567
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS AND STONEWARE.	56,723	77,767	156,362	293,363
CLASS XVI.—PAPER, ETC.				
Paper	39,664	43,472	105,109	131,969
Stationery	82,754	66,664	200,895	248,101
Total, Class XVI. ..	122,418	110,136	306,004	380,070

(a) Not available for publication.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.	
	1941.	1942.	1940-41.	1941-42.
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME-PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Precious Stones, unset, Pearls, Cameos, &c.	3,692	28,108	10,080	51,312
Other Jewellery, Timepieces, &c.	19,995	22,371	55,305	82,008
Total, Class XVII.	23,687	50,479	65,385	133,320
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c.	68,376	12,794	165,280	95,198
Photographic Goods, &c.	14,623	11,810	58,778	61,077
Talking Machines, &c.	6,659	6,616	22,077	21,111
Other Instruments	18,132	17,075	57,740	64,769
Total, Class XVIII.	107,790	48,295	303,875	242,155
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.				
Casein	9,900	3,567	29,866	7,187
Fertilizers	2,957	3,962	12,642	9,922
Medicines	68,480	46,137	207,406	217,928
Oils—				
Essential (non-spirituos), n.e.i.	4,739	9,837	12,325	35,955
Eucalyptus	32,092	77,403	141,269	163,886
Perfumery and Preparations	60,330	89,334	90,488	312,702
Other Drugs and Chemicals	143,055	112,214	427,844	442,475
Total, Class XIX.	321,553	342,454	921,840	1,190,055
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Miscellaneous Articles to Pacific Islands	48,418	17,986	134,179	106,135
Oilmen's Stores	49,877	47,072	90,085	206,415
Personal and Household Effects	34,449	17,862	92,127	83,712
Soap	60,851	59,338	124,557	198,208
Goods Exported per parcel post	8,321	4,169	24,787	24,797
All other Articles	893,327	(a)	2,406,703	(a)
Total, Class XX.	1,095,243	(a)	2,872,438	(a)
Total { Australian Produce	32,697,161	34,402,659	99,134,591	101,179,131
{ Other Produce	637,740	458,133	1,494,863	1,549,916
GRAND TOTAL—MERCHANDISE	33,334,901	34,860,792	100,629,454	102,729,047

ESTIMATED BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
GRAND TOTAL—Merchandise	26,614,692	27,832,968	80,342,877	82,019,199

NOTE.—Class XXI. and State Summary are not available for publication.

(a) Not available for publication.

Section IV.—Finance.

(A.) COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

Receipts.

Sources of Revenue.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41	1941-42.
TAXATION—	£	£	£	£	£
Customs	32,972,666	31,160,462	34,830,306	29,409,666	25,208,806
Excise	15,410,339	16,471,903	18,994,600	24,370,117	31,572,002
Sales Tax	8,023,886	9,308,334	12,196,175	19,792,680	26,830,085
Flour Tax	3,025	1,808,972	2,486,070	1,498,595	1,651,717
Land Tax	1,368,444	1,489,436	1,645,829	3,190,822	3,691,184
Income Tax(a)	9,398,503	11,882,440	16,436,313	43,305,239	77,563,926
Pay-roll Tax .. .. .	..	..	..	..	8,962,464
Gold Tax .. .. .	..	..	1,214,621	1,452,260	1,030,425
Estate Duty	1,872,654	1,915,352	2,212,680	2,364,183	2,845,005
Other.. .. .	Dr. 1,032	..	59	10	(b) 79,731
Total Taxation	69,048,485	74,036,899	90,010,663	125,383,522	179,435,345
BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—					
Postmaster-General's Department	16,753,139	17,366,311	17,897,469	19,075,541	21,639,364
Railways—					
Trans-Australian	267,754	330,643	368,218	462,344	694,228
Central Australia	124,417	187,521	146,921	243,701	742,143
North Australia	37,768	50,471	60,797	185,808	305,448
Australian Capital Territory	5,803	7,275	11,736	8,040	5,277
Total Railways	435,742	525,910	587,672	899,893	1,747,096
Total Business Undertakings..	17,188,881	17,892,221	18,485,141	19,975,434	23,386,460
TERRITORIES	330,975	355,401	415,412	506,864	491,969
OTHER REVENUE—					
Interest(c)	1,044,076	1,144,014	1,145,989	1,172,130	923,585
Coinage	362,705	127,764	180,458	752,471	867,889
Defence	29,244	151,208	166,880	303,640	834,800
Civil Aviation	5,556	5,745	11,171	137,951	185,355
Health	17,621	18,204	15,740	14,338	113,922
Patents, Trade Marks, Copyrights	61,435	67,914	61,982	57,150	55,037
Bankruptcy	36,441	30,770	35,817	32,318	24,877
Commerce and Marine—					
Wool levy(d)	77,523	74,396	84,361	84,279	85,934
Other	182,463	188,137	147,315	136,706	169,578
Net Profit, Note Issue	839,883	766,730	985,993	1,461,839	1,658,141
Balance of Trust Accounts	10,940	..	..	31,476	1,600,459
Other	221,926	235,387	166,862	432,188	207,618
Total	2,889,813	2,780,269	3,002,568	4,616,486	6,727,195
Grand Total	89,458,154	95,064,790	111,913,784	150,482,306	210,040,969
PER HEAD(e)—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation	10 1 2	10 13 10	12 17 4	17 14 9	25 2 10
Business Undertakings	2 10 1	2 11 8	2 12 10	2 16 6	3 5 6
Other	0 9 5	0 9 0	0 9 9	0 14 7	1 0 3
Total	13 0 8	13 14 6	15 19 11	21 5 10	29 8 7

(a) Including War-time (Company) Tax.

(b) Gift Duty.

(c) Excluding balance of interest on States' debts (payable by States).

(d) For Publicity and Research.

(e) Based on mean population of each financial year.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Expenditure.

Departments, &c.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
War and Repatriation (1914-19) Services	£	£	£	£	£
Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange ..	9,714,227	9,664,917	9,600,065	9,568,676	9,681,977
War Pensions	8,094,623	8,227,487	8,147,076	8,041,798	7,908,788
Repatriation	957,805	993,872	922,527	845,283	820,855
Other	181,645	370,536	164,874	146,872	198,182
Total, War, &c...	18,948,300	19,256,812	18,834,542	18,602,630	18,618,302
Defence and War (1939-42) Services—					
War (1939-42) Services ..	..	..	15,315,998		
Army (including Co-ordination) ..	2,060,782	3,324,650	3,770,504		
Navy	2,497,783	2,755,085	3,005,000		
Air	1,289,973	1,384,971	2,043,839	65,680,917	100,233,539
Supply and Shipping (including Munitions and Aircraft Production) ..	523,550	596,653	748,415		
Total Cost of Departments—					
Governor-General	35,067	32,765	30,787	30,587	30,705
Parliament	516,494	444,873	449,876	547,602	473,163
Prime Minister	1,510,259	1,355,842	1,500,582	1,282,799	1,350,017
External Affairs	58,263	70,168	117,782	141,751	199,642
Treasury	2,252,506	2,257,028	2,485,450	2,425,259	2,948,983
Attorney-General	263,319	281,497	278,557	297,400	319,171
Interior	1,018,526	1,275,392	1,257,598	962,999	954,847
Civil Aviation	129,043	328,150	494,060	392,038	337,165
Trade and Customs	993,503	1,064,124	1,032,890	968,269	956,081
Health	402,003	338,155	269,174	295,982	299,856
Commerce	1,149,511	1,208,927	1,170,951	1,139,932	1,216,640
Social Services	150,753	324,734	177,901	161,786	281,742
Business Undertakings—					
Postmaster-General	13,964,473	15,028,233	15,285,709	15,876,594	17,527,865
Railways	1,140,315	1,351,041	1,472,521	1,507,850	1,995,577
Territories—					
Australian Capital Territory ..	615,401	637,223	656,078	679,160	693,072
Northern Territory	381,931	402,899	332,804	462,170	520,021
Papua	48,825	48,930	48,610	85,703	38,839
New Guinea	5,058	5,532	5,988	7,162	17,048
Norfolk Island	5,911	5,471	4,071	4,071	5,666
Total, Territories	1,057,126	1,099,960	1,097,551	1,238,266	1,279,646
New Works	3,551,776	6,565,263	3,036,445	3,211,764	3,305,344
Invalid and Old-age Pensions ..	15,798,687	15,991,782	16,459,245	17,366,365	19,257,025
Child Endowment .. .. .	..	..	..	..	11,302,863
Maternity Allowances	400,004	436,614	416,964	407,533	358,538
Payments to or for States—					
Interest on States' Debts	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912	7,584,912
Sinking Fund on States' Debts ..	1,454,385	1,477,976	1,536,055	1,556,749	1,579,797
Special Grants	2,350,000	2,020,000	2,020,000	2,050,000	2,300,000
Grants for Federal Aid Roads ..	4,149,492	4,266,556	4,455,845	3,484,748	2,128,344
Other Grants	450,500	300,000	100,000	250,000	188,100
Total to or for States(b)	15,989,289	15,649,444	15,696,812	14,926,409	13,731,153
Relief to Primary Producers	262,166	2,014,713	2,509,266	3,022,624	4,063,155
Grand Total(c)	85,963,421	94,437,481	108,985,409	150,482,306	210,040,969
Per head of Population(d)	£12 10 6	£13 12 8	£15 11 9	£21 5 10	£29 8 7

(a) Excluding Defence and War (1939-42) Services. (b) Excluding balance of interest payable on States' Debt (recoverable from States). (c) Excluding expenditure from excess receipts (see table below). (d) Based on mean population for each financial year.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Excess Receipts.

Particulars.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	£	£	£	£	£
Accumulated balance	1,276,558	3,494,733	627,309	2,928,375	..
Excess Receipts	3,494,733	627,309	2,928,375	..	..
Total for year	4,771,291	4,122,042	3,555,684	2,928,375	..
Expenditure from Excess Receipts—					
Grants to States .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
Special Defence Provision .. ..	..	3,494,733	627,309	2,928,375	..
Post Office Works Provision	1,000,000	..	..	..	..
Reduction of deficit	276,558	..	..	..	..
Total	1,276,558	3,494,733	627,309	2,928,375	..
Accumulated balance	3,494,733	627,309	2,928,375	..	..

Commonwealth Expenditure from General Loan Fund.

Particulars.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	Total to 30th June, 1942.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Defence and War (1939-42) Services—						
General Services, Works, &c. ..	..	..	28,814,046	101,581,230	210,876,328	341,271,604
Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.—						
Army Buildings, Works and Sites ..	339,316	97,788	..	..	..	1,118,989
Arms, Armament and Ammunition ..	109,180	530,342	..	..	..	954,822
Naval Buildings, Works and Sites ..	106,970	82,248	..	..	..	1,703,834
Fleet Construction ..	451,350	521,556	..	..	..	1,608,303
R.A.A.F. Equipment, Buildings, &c.	673,028	436,356	..	..	..	1,578,461
Munitions Production, Buildings and Works ..	273,945	243,994	..	..	..	1,729,539
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works ..	112,550	..	..	..	..	214,291
Ships, Yards and Docks ..	..	Cr. 305,351	Cr. 14,016	Cr. 2,859	..	7,863,028
Lighthouses, Works and Services ..	Cr. 1,000	Cr. 1,000	Cr. 1,000	Cr. 1,000	Cr. 1,000	636,490
River Murray Waters Act ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,105,625
Postmaster-General's Department—						
Telegraph and Telephone Construction ..	..	..	1,733,113	1,689,329	939,918	36,057,558
Buildings, Works, Sites, &c. ..	Cr. 451	Cr. 1,290	120,050	220,882	244,940	4,079,743
Subscription to Capital of Amalgamated Wireless Ltd. ..	..	..	..	..	..	300,000
Radio Stations and Equipment ..	..	..	29,509	3,711	15,082	104,538
Serum and Health Laboratories ..	..	..	..	..	..	80,149
Other Health Buildings and Services ..	..	..	..	..	Cr. 1,100	21,864
Repatriation Buildings, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	47,026
War Service Homes (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,329,523
Railways—						
Trans-Australian ..	Cr. 998	Cr. 339	Cr. 102	Cr. 2,070	Cr. 73	7,124,050
Central Australia ..	..	..	..	Cr. 170	5,584	2,486,010
North Australia ..	..	..	Cr. 184	..	Cr. 23,167	1,574,208
Australian Capital Territory ..	..	..	..	..	..	28,755
Grafton-South Brisbane ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,446,005
Railways Plant and Store Suspense Account ..	..	..	..	..	..	200,000
Territories—						
A.C.T. Works, Services and Acquisition of Land (b) ..	Cr. 5,514	Cr. 6,768	Cr. 10,752	Cr. 4,321	Cr. 7,406	8,479,073
Northern Territory ..	Cr. 61	..	Cr. 31	..	..	171,870
Papua ..	..	..	..	..	..	129,749
New Guinea ..	..	..	..	..	..	40,496
Norfolk Island ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,000
London Offices ..	..	..	..	..	..	880,190
High Court Accommodation, Melbourne ..	..	..	..	..	..	19,505
Acquisition of Properties not elsewhere included ..	Cr. 263	..	..	..	..	137,648
Immigration ..	..	..	..	..	..	1,680,334
Subscription to Capital of Commonwealth Oil Refinery ..	..	..	..	..	..	343,751
Assistance to States—						
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 8,895	Cr. 3,822	Cr. 65,844	Cr. 45,234	Cr. 5,773	2,449,604
Mining ..	..	..	..	..	..	283,750
Forestry ..	..	..	..	..	..	322,000
Farmers' Debt Adjustment ..	2,500,000	2,000,000	750,000	500,000	165,000	7,732,000
Roads ..	..	..	..	..	..	249,686
Wire and Wire Netting ..	..	..	..	..	..	608,849
Drought Relief ..	..	..	..	1,270,000	597,000	1,867,000
Wheat Bounty ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,429,571
Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c. ..	4,549,215	3,593,714	2,540,743	3,628,218	1,929,005	110,220,387
GRAND TOTAL ..	4,549,215	3,593,714	31,354,789	105,209,448	212,805,333	451,491,991

(a) In addition, £13,045,408 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24.

(b) Including Administration and other Public Buildings.

**COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT, AND INTEREST PAYABLE
AT 31st DECEMBER, 1942.**

Debt on Account of—	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.
Commonwealth—	£(Aust.)	£(Stg.)	£(a)	£(b)
War (1914-19)	167,120,315	90,744,381	..	257,864,696
War (1939-43)	523,997,090	17,875,000	..	541,872,090
Works and other Purposes	41,238,177	64,884,096	15,876,718	121,998,991
Total—Commonwealth Purposes	732,355,582	173,503,477	15,876,718	921,735,777
Per head of population(e) ..	£102 1 8	£24 3 8	£2 4 3	£128 9 7
State—				
Debts of the States ..	506,558,924	379,834,370	25,816,388	912,209,682
Per head of population(e) ..	£70 16 5	£53 2 0	£3 12 2	£127 10 7
Total Public Debt ..	1,238,914,506	553,337,847	41,693,106	1,833,945,459
Per head of population ..	£172 13 9	£77 2 7	£5 16 3	£255 12 7

INTEREST PAYABLE.

Commonwealth—	£(Aust.)	£(Stg.)	£(a)	£(f)
War (1914-19)	6,417,388	(g) 426,008	..	6,843,396
War (1939-43)	12,981,036	591,000	..	13,572,036
Works and other Purposes	1,207,138	2,633,197	775,930	4,616,265
Total—Commonwealth Purposes	20,605,562	(g) 3,650,205	775,930	25,031,697
Average Rate per cent.(h) ..	£2 16 9	£3 17 11	£4 17 9	£2 19 11
State—				
Debts of the States ..	17,162,191	14,482,643	1,282,976	32,927,810
Average Rate per cent. ..	£3 7 9	£3 16 3	£4 19 5	£3 12 2
Grand Total	37,767,753	(g) 18,132,848	2,058,906	57,959,507
Average Rate per cent.(h) ..	£3 1 3	£3 16 7	£4 18 9	£3 6 4

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1 (Stg.).

(b) The total "face" or "book" values of the Public Debt of the Commonwealth and States leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated.

(c) Including £31,273,485 War Savings Certificates, £6,123,923 Interest Free Loans (Citizens' National Emergency Loans), £7,142,280 Advance Loan Subscriptions, £1,348,010 National Savings Bonds and £294,087 War Savings Stamps.

(d) Including £100,000 Interest Free Loans.

(e) Based on estimated aggregate population of Australia (including A.C.T. and N.T.) and of the six States at 30th June, 1942.

(f) Nominal amount (and average rate) of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(g) Excluding suspended interest £3,919,774 on War Debt (£79,724,220) due to British Government.

(h) Interest Free Loans excluded when calculating rate.

AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS AND BY THE PUBLIC.

Particulars.	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.	Reserve.	
				Amount. (a)	Percentage on total circulation.
	£	£	£	£'000.	%
1937 (b)	17,194,775	31,008,466	48,203,241	16,010	33.2
1938 (b)	16,700,228	32,706,922	49,407,150	16,009	32.4
1939 (b)	14,403,326	35,186,843	49,590,169	16,030	32.4
1940 (b)	13,927,376	44,444,954	58,372,330	16,289	28.1
1941 (b)	14,318,069	55,069,055	69,387,124	18,559	26.8
1942 (c)—July .. .	15,557,059	89,299,309	104,856,368	26,610	25.4
August .. .	15,006,714	94,099,654	109,106,368	27,860	25.5
September .. .	15,195,825	96,410,543	111,606,368	29,110	26.1
October .. .	15,518,166	98,588,202	114,106,368	29,829	26.1
November .. .	15,858,222	101,748,146	117,606,368	30,141	25.6
December .. .	13,737,737	109,618,631	123,356,368	31,391	25.5

(a) Including English sterling.
Monday in each month.

(b) Average of twelve monthly statements.

(c) On last

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.	26th December, 1938.	25th December, 1939.	30th December, 1940.	29th December, 1941.	28th December, 1942.
	£	£	£	£	£
10s.	4,635,058	4,806,450	5,120,126	5,524,992	6,463,315
£1	24,203,091	25,805,205	29,551,083	36,163,961	46,959,533
£5	13,565,745	15,254,440	18,947,665	25,683,405	43,693,760
£10	5,567,400	6,612,710	8,819,140	11,058,740	18,213,350
£20	112,480	95,960	78,280	68,540	59,560
£50	1,273,250	1,562,550	1,963,150	2,400,700	3,054,050
£100	2,254,100	2,614,900	3,060,000	3,499,700	4,349,800
£1,000	1,419,000	523,000	580,000	464,000	563,000
Held by banks .. .	13,975,383	13,008,630	16,906,279	17,696,631	13,737,737
" public .. .	39,054,741	44,266,585	51,213,165	67,167,407	109,618,631
Total	53,030,124	57,275,215	68,119,444	84,864,038	123,356,368
Reserve(a) {	Gold	322,668	341,212	74,864	74,839
	English .. .				
	Sterling .. .	15,688,392	15,688,392	17,630,183	21,830,183
	Total	16,011,060	16,029,604	17,705,047	21,955,022
Percentage on circulation		30.19	27.99	25.99	25.87
					25.45

(a) Valued in Australian currency.

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1942.

State.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June, 1942.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June, 1942.		Pensions paid during 1941-42. (a)	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old- age.	Inva- lid.	Old- age.	Inva- lid.	Amount. £	Per head of Popn. (b)
New South Wales(c)	110,464	28,218	138,682	388	99	s. d. 48 4	s. d. 49 1	7,865,515	55 8
Victoria .. .	75,240	12,550	87,790	381	64	48 4	48 11	5,103,542	52 3
Queensland .. .	35,872	9,167	45,039	349	89	48 5	48 11	2,567,591	49 8
South Australia(d)	24,041	4,381	28,422	388	71	47 7	48 5	1,637,081	53 2
Western Australia	19,156	3,557	22,713	407	76	47 11	48 10	1,318,672	56 4
Tasmania .. .	10,683	2,724	13,407	444	113	47 11	48 7	764,624	63 10
Total	275,456	60,597	336,053	384	84	48 3	48 11	19,257,025	54 0

(a) Including amounts paid to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year.

(c) Including A.C.T.

(d) Including N.T.

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS SUMMARY.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Pensioners.			Number of Pensioners in each 10,000 of Population.(a)		Pensions Payments during Year. (b)	Average Fortnightly Pension. (a)
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total.	Old-age.	Invalid.		
1911 ..	75,502	7,451	82,953	168	17	£ 1,847,440	s. d. 19 1
1912 ..	79,071	10,763	89,834	170	23	2,149,659	19 0
1913 ..	82,943	13,739	96,682	172	29	2,301,075	19 6
1914 ..	87,780	16,865	104,645	177	34	2,592,201	19 5
1915 ..	90,892	20,417	111,309	182	41	2,718,939	19 5
1916 ..	91,783	23,439	115,222	186	47	2,891,597	19 4
1917 ..	93,672	26,781	120,453	190	54	3,554,135	24 3
1918 ..	95,387	29,912	125,299	190	59	3,793,037	24 3
1919 ..	95,999	31,999	127,998	185	62	3,936,026	24 2
1920 ..	99,170	35,231	134,401	185	66	4,484,304	29 1
1921 ..	102,415	37,981	140,396	183	69	5,150,241	28 9
1922 ..	105,096	39,019	144,115	189	70	5,380,034	28 9
1923 ..	107,389	40,064	147,453	189	73	5,424,016	28 9
1924 ..	113,054	42,617	155,671	195	73	6,523,881	28 9
1925 ..	117,516	44,840	162,356	198	75	6,992,905	33 8
1926 ..	126,918	48,303	175,221	210	80	8,252,337	33 7
1927 ..	133,234	52,399	185,633	215	85	9,144,589	33 6
1928 ..	139,367	55,517	194,884	221	88	9,790,346	33 5
1929 ..	145,393	59,148	204,541	227	93	10,124,239	33 5
1930 ..	155,196	63,304	218,500	240	98	10,791,325	33 5
1931 ..	172,177	68,543	240,520	264	104	11,710,953	33 4
1932 ..	183,317	72,292	255,609	279	110	11,125,956	33 3
1933 ..	176,425	72,742	249,167	266	110	10,771,061	31 10
1934 ..	187,453	73,212	260,665	281	109	10,963,090	33 8
1935 ..	197,126	76,852	273,978	293	114	11,762,080	33 7
1936 ..	206,748	80,487	287,235	305	119	12,797,726	34 8
1937 ..	215,690	83,396	299,086	316	122	13,998,793	36 8
1938 ..	224,154	86,096	310,250	325	125	15,798,637	38 6
1939 ..	232,836	88,812	321,648	335	128	15,991,739	38 5
1940(d) ..	272,396	58,696	331,592	388	84	16,459,245	38 6
1941 ..	276,760	58,921	335,681	390	83	17,366,365	(c) 41 5
1942 ..	275,456	60,597	336,053	384	84	19,257,025	(c) 48 4

(a) At 30th June. (b) Including payments to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners, and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (c) Increases including retail price adjustment since December, 1940, are as follows: 2s. December, 1940; 1s. April, 1941; 4s. December, 1941; 1s. April, 1942; 2s. July, 1942; 6d. October, 1942; 6d. January, 1943. Rate £1 6s. from 7th January, 1943. (d) During 1939-40 all invalid pensions in force were specially reviewed, and, at 30th June, 1940, all those pensioners who had become qualified for old-age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the old-age pension list.

WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1942.

Place.	NUMBER OF WAR PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.								
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.						
No.	No.	No.	No.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
New South Wales	25,938	9,169	38,039	73,146	2	0	11	0	19	9	1	7	3
Victoria..	25,375	8,493	38,435	72,303	1	15	8	0	18	0	1	4	2
Queensland ..	8,632	2,553	13,244	24,429	2	2	1	0	18	0	1	6	6
South Australia ..	4,705	2,211	6,988	13,904	2	1	0	1	1	1	1	7	10
Western Australia	6,842	2,329	10,586	19,757	1	19	8	0	18	10	1	6	1
Tasmania ..	3,341	1,123	6,122	10,586	2	10	11	0	18	9	1	7	11
United Kingdom ..	1,503	1,671	2,277	5,451	2	4	9	1	8	8	1	13	1
Elsewhere ..	305	130	328	763	1	16	10	1	3	1	1	8	7
Total 1941-42 ..	76,641	27,679	116,019	220,339	1	19	8	0	19	1	1	6	3
1940-41 ..	75,767	25,937	123,787	225,491	1	19	10	0	17	11	1	5	3

SERVICE PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1942.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Pensions Current—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Old-age (Members of Forces) ..	1,650	1,139	694	301	440	70	4,294
Permanently Unemployable—							
Members of Forces	1,007	811	843	435	476	200	3,772
Dependants ..	1,254	1,060	951	516	499	311	4,591
Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis—							
Members of Forces	315	143	66	50	61	15	650
Dependants ..	435	201	95	90	85	33	939
Total 1941-42 ..	4,661	3,354	2,649	1,392	1,561	629	14,246
1940-41 ..	4,425	3,445	2,478	1,524	1,545	664	14,081
Average Fortnightly Pensions—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Members of Forces ..	2 1 4	2 1 6	2 2 9	2 2 5	2 0 9	2 0 1	2 1 8
Dependants ..	1 2 5	1 3 3	1 1 4	1 2 9	1 3 10	0 18 1	1 2 3
All Pensioners 1941-42 ..	1 14 6	1 14 8	1 14 4	1 13 10	1 14 2	1 8 1	1 14 1
1940-41 ..	1 9 11	1 9 7	1 8 10	1 8 10	1 9 3	1 3 8	1 9 2

AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS EXPENDITURE.

(i) WAR PENSIONS.

Place of Payment.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	2,634,894	2,681,271	2,674,462	2,618,564	2,560,477	2,576,241
Victoria ..	2,326,414	2,334,448	2,353,107	2,317,417	2,252,227	2,255,233
Queensland ..	857,139	874,872	890,710	873,635	863,757	846,584
South Australia ..	481,068	493,255	497,230	497,743	485,919	494,166
Western Australia ..	680,272	689,528	696,833	685,019	671,457	668,617
Tasmania ..	387,511	397,199	403,747	404,154	396,814	393,406
Elsewhere ..	315,791	310,634	303,200	285,714	267,880	267,604
Total ..	7,683,089	7,761,207	7,819,289	7,682,246	7,488,531	7,501,911

(ii) SERVICE PENSIONS.

Place of Payment.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	66,565	96,327	118,443	148,599	162,935	185,315
Victoria ..	54,127	84,365	103,292	118,577	126,975	140,913
Queensland ..	35,465	57,543	72,717	80,364	88,088	106,120
South Australia ..	37,277	45,028	51,474	54,377	57,758	60,105
Western Australia ..	23,549	36,344	46,044	51,651	55,783	64,652
Tasmania ..	4,728	10,254	15,157	18,695	19,564	22,548
Elsewhere ..	3	10	..	..	..	..
Total ..	221,714	329,871	407,127	472,263	511,103	579,656

(a) Includes 1939-42 War—£18,772, 1940-41 and £207,324, 1941-42.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCE.

Number and Amount of Claims Paid.

(The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912.)

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Australia.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
1936 ..	30,463	19,672	11,640	6,613	4,850	3,689	26	76,953	335,552
1937 ..	31,086	20,350	12,170	6,854	4,731	4,018	45	79,254	370,150
1938 ..	30,440	20,160	12,660	6,656	5,026	4,029	29	79,000	400,004
1939 ..	30,860	20,819	12,880	7,162	5,213	3,940	42	80,916	436,614
1940 ..	29,700	19,660	12,290	7,009	4,774	3,883	36	77,352	416,964
1941 ..	28,540	19,150	12,481	6,831	4,775	3,877	38	75,692	407,533
1942 ..	24,481	16,120	12,113	5,724	4,320	3,620	13	66,391	358,538
Total since 10.10.12	1,321,967	869,214	497,736	290,484	211,700	143,761	1,115	3,335,977	16,433,892

(a) Including Australian Capital Territory.

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX, 1940-41.(a)

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage on Total Tax Assessed.
Individuals—	No.	£	£ s. d.	%
Under £201	376,169	2,113,192	5 12 4	5.4
£201 to £500	155,486	3,639,706	23 8 2	9.3
£501 to £1,000	62,039	4,835,518	77 18 10	12.3
£1,001 and over	29,681	19,198,958	646 16 10	49.1
Total Individuals	623,375	29,787,374	47 15 8	76.1
Companies	13,927	9,341,712(b)	670 15 3	23.9
GRAND TOTAL .. ..	..	39,129,086	..	100 0

(a) Assessed on income for year 1939-40.

(b) Excludes Super Tax, War Time (Company) Tax and Undistributed Profits Tax.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS.

Heading.	Assessment year—				
	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Resident Owners	20,742	21,028	20,956	21,395	21,959
Absentee Owners	2,555	2,584	2,559	2,365	2,562
TOTAL	23,297	23,612	23,515	23,760	24,521
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£	£	£	£	£
Resident	221,124,954	225,774,692	228,207,419	234,273,013	244,512,737
Absentee	1,985,918	1,999,905	2,047,766	1,892,564	1,685,096
TOTAL	223,110,872	227,774,597	230,255,185	236,165,577	246,197,833
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident	256,376,660	257,346,942	257,277,026	272,109,061	277,242,136
Absentee	2,156,519	2,167,995	2,196,814	2,080,107	1,991,916
TOTAL	258,533,179	259,514,937	259,473,840	274,189,168	279,234,052
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	909,467	924,749	1,045,591	1,195,246	2,453,928
Absentee Owners	9,760	10,082	10,673	11,324	20,509
TOTAL	919,227	934,831	1,056,264	1,206,570	2,474,437
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	333,903	339,487	372,713	388,763	784,293
Absentee Owners	2,704	3,267	3,342	4,248	6,113
TOTAL	336,607	342,754	376,055	393,011	790,406
All Land—Resident Owners ..	1,243,370	1,264,236	1,418,304	1,584,009	3,238,221
Absentee Owners	12,464	13,349	14,015	15,572	26,622
TOTAL	1,255,834	1,277,585	1,432,319	1,599,581	3,264,843
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED ac.	57,109,422	57,636,000	56,695,994	56,131,125	56,556,163
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	1.415d.	1.427d.	1.592d.	1.680d.	2.985d.

(a) Excluding Crown Leaseholds.

COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1940-41.

Grade of Dutiable Value.	Number of Estates.(a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Payable.
£	No.	£	£	£
1- 1,000	1,608	3,758,584	709,947	21,229
1,001- 2,000	2,037	5,282,171	2,973,643	51,364
2,001- 3,000	1,130	4,360,356	2,800,776	54,612
3,001- 4,000	731	3,755,366	2,545,233	52,400
4,001- 5,000	512	3,224,137	2,318,494	48,958
5,001-10,000	1,148	10,435,243	7,926,140	182,535
10,001-20,000	639	11,077,229	8,983,781	319,229
20,001-50,000	313	11,234,040	9,122,346	584,215
50,001 and over	71	9,896,798	7,900,582	912,791
Total	8,189	63,023,924	45,280,942	2,227,333

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1940-41.

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable in each month.—Australia.(a)

Year 1941-42.

Month.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods. (b)	Taxable Sales.(b)							Sales Tax Payable. (b)
		5 per cent. (c)	10 per cent. (c)	12½ per cent.(d)	15 per cent. (c)	20 per cent.(e)	25 per cent.(d)	Total.	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
July ..	47,054	4,560	12,049	..	2,842	..	..	19,451	1,858
August ..	46,915	4,617	13,385	..	2,802	..	..	20,804	1,980
September ..	49,644	4,736	12,836	..	3,274	..	..	20,846	2,012
Total, Sept. Qtr.	143,613	13,913	38,270	..	8,918	..	..	61,101	5,850
October ..	52,079	4,485	12,923	..	3,117	175	..	20,700	2,018
November ..	46,296	1,056	14,431	..	..	2,878	..	18,365	2,072
December ..	51,353	776	17,037	..	..	3,757	..	21,570	2,494
Total, Dec. Qtr.	149,728	6,317	44,391	..	3,117	6,810	..	60,635	6,584
January ..	44,482	817	13,575	..	..	2,540	..	16,932	1,906
February ..	46,308	795	14,902	..	..	2,978	..	18,675	2,125
March ..	49,780	792	14,885	..	..	2,886	..	18,563	2,105
Total, Mar. Qtr.	140,570	2,404	43,362	..	..	8,404	..	54,170	6,136
April ..	49,306	756	15,518	..	..	3,318	..	19,592	2,253
May ..	48,388	..	..	14,032	..	..	2,554	16,586	2,392
June ..	49,601	..	..	13,956	..	..	2,430	16,386	2,352
Total, June Qtr.	147,295	756	15,518	27,988	..	3,318	4,984	52,564	6,997
Total year ..	581,206	23,390	141,541	27,988	12,035	18,582	4,984	228,470	25,567

Year 1942-43.

Month.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(b)	Taxable Sales.(b)			Sales Tax Payable. (b)
		12½ per cent.(d)	25 per cent.(d)	Total.	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
July ..	51,353	16,057	2,806	18,863	2,699
August(f) ..	49,500	14,600	2,400	17,000	2,430
September(f) ..	49,500	14,600	2,400	17,000	2,420
Total, September Qtr.(f)	150,353	45,257	7,606	52,863	7,549

(a) From information obtained from returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade nor do they necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade.
 (b) Includes Imports and Tax collected at Customs House. (c) The rates 5 per cent., 10 per cent. and 15 per cent. came into operation on 22nd November, 1940. (d) The rates 12½ per cent. and 25 per cent. came into operation on 1st May, 1942. (e) The rate of 20 per cent. replaced the rate of 15 per cent. from 30th October, 1941. (f) Partly estimated—subject to revision.

(B.) STATE FINANCE.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses, Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board and Road Transport and Traffic Fund—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. Deductions have been made from the Budget figures, however, in order to obviate duplications caused by inter-fund payments and to maintain uniformity from year to year in the presentation of statistics. A deduction of £795,540 has thus been made from the Budget Revenue total of £266,661,218, and of £259,646 from the Expenditure total of £65,783,839. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and have not been adjusted.

STATE REVENUES, 1941-42.

Sources of Revenue.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation (b) ..	22,294,087	11,201,263	8,034,362	4,741,951	2,139,127	1,802,051	51,212,841
Railways ..	27,686,332	14,179,449	10,444,982	4,857,981	3,898,809	..	61,067,555
Tramways (c) ..	5,429,411	(f) 115,428	..	..	402,693	..	5,947,532
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings ..	1,712,072	2,368,073	1,500	1,888,727	1,800,532	4,648	7,775,602
Land ..	1,673,764	536,431	1,583,161	259,197	309,819	76,727	4,439,099
Interest ..	390,635	1,545,721	1,289,928	959,007	435,724	466,286	5,087,301
Commonwealth Payments ..	2,917,411	2,127,159	1,096,235	1,733,816	1,103,432	786,859	9,764,912
All other Sources ..	3,761,966	1,038,848	1,212,779	561,351	849,963	222,136	7,647,043
Total Revenue ..	65,865,678	33,112,372	23,662,947	15,002,030	11,940,149	3,358,707	152,941,883
Total Revenue per head (g) ..	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	23 8 4	16 18 10	22 17 11	24 15 6	25 9 9	14 0 6	21 9 11

Year ended 30th June—

STATE REVENUES 1928-29 AND 1937-38 TO 1941-42.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1929 ..	46,240,658	27,286,329	16,725,682	10,840,914	9,947,951	2,766,484	118,807,968
1938 ..	53,545,720	27,614,982	17,339,731	12,460,936	10,819,042	3,639,755	125,420,166
1939 ..	51,709,735	26,985,548	19,330,369	12,303,597	10,949,660	3,614,764	124,893,678
1940 ..	54,754,626	28,102,735	20,755,504	12,755,648	11,119,943	3,055,810	130,543,766
1941 ..	59,895,571	29,182,657	21,539,749	12,924,663	11,432,068	2,921,573	137,896,281
1942 ..	65,865,678	33,112,372	23,662,947	15,002,030	11,940,149	3,358,707	152,941,883

STATE EXPENDITURES, 1941-42.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	15,583,394	8,796,171	7,067,269	5,371,960	4,591,612	1,353,230	42,763,636
Railways ..	21,196,694	11,082,482	8,265,486	3,490,993	2,999,830	2,937	47,038,422
Tramways (f) ..	4,873,110	..	..	..	209,684	..	5,172,794
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings ..	910,207	1,228,369	4,103	675,330	918,211	..	3,736,220
Education ..	5,882,350	3,237,797	1,849,286	1,078,324	928,995	440,300	13,417,052
Hospitals ..	2,564,165	1,325,912	647,849	544,153	142,550	177,098	5,401,727
Other Charities ..	2,599,590	1,689,860	985,210	242,354	275,267	151,550	5,943,831
All other Expenditure ..	11,214,683	4,959,481	4,779,972	2,429,240	1,782,232	1,232,007	26,397,615
Total Expenditure ..	64,824,193	32,320,072	23,599,175	13,832,354	11,938,381	3,357,122	149,871,297
Total Expenditure per head (g) ..	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	23 0 11	16 10 9	22 16 8	22 16 11	25 9 8	14 0 4	21 1 4

Year ended 30th June—

STATE EXPENDITURES 1928-29 AND 1937-38 TO 1941-42.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1929 ..	48,159,691	27,251,578	16,902,145	11,771,772	10,223,919	2,855,977	117,165,082
1938 ..	53,495,881	27,584,037	17,568,223	12,334,391	10,829,735	3,632,908	125,445,170
1939 ..	54,163,064	27,772,790	19,316,323	12,700,921	11,170,102	3,640,748	128,763,948
1940 ..	57,049,577	28,096,474	20,739,749	12,918,376	11,266,768	3,052,909	133,123,853
1941 ..	60,319,036	29,040,357	21,511,313	13,007,598	11,420,967	3,103,204	138,402,465
1942 ..	64,824,193	32,320,072	23,599,175	13,832,354	11,938,381	3,357,122	149,871,297

(a) Excluding particulars of transport services, now under control of Transport Commission. Motor taxation collections are also now paid to the Commission's Fund. (b) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1941-42, see p. 39. (c) Gross collections. (d) Includes £120,000 of Commonwealth Grant taken direct to Railway Revenue. (e) Includes Omnibuses. (f) Contribution to Revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways. (g) Based on mean population for the financial year.

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1941-42.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Works—							
Railways	1,680,050	730,894	95,345	344,673	25,394	40,109	2,916,465
Tramways (b) ..	Cr. 198,239	..	..	cCr.52,744	29,857	..	Cr.221,126
Roads and Bridges ..	606,611	Cr. 28,684	321,955	cCr.16,000	Cr. 13	40,955	1,136,921
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	124,655	Cr. 4,733	20,487	16,020	55,668	..	..
Water Supply and Sewerage	Cr. 36,669	266,951	297,099	921,510	168,525	..	1,617,416
Electricity Supply ..	151,853	..	..	12,578	512,242	..	676,673
Public Buildings ..	487,080	441,837	314,055	71,732	35,042	115,700	1,465,446
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 148,225	Cr. 67,163	..	..	..	Cr. 10,738	Cr.226,126
Other Public Works, &c. ..	160,872	Cr. 2,936	489,352	Cr. 20,957	Cr. 2,875	110,149	733,605
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement (d) ..	36	Cr.450,903	28,890	Cr.179,662	Cr. 49,347	Cr.128,205	Cr.779,191
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	484,743	..	(g)	14,054	134,022	..	632,819
Other	Cr. 154,736	209,978	16,916	6,265	137,317	34,615	250,358
Other purposes ..	..	2,379	Cr. 46	125,584	133,552	..	261,469
Total Works, &c.	3,158,031	1,097,620	1,584,053	1,230,478	679,720	714,827	8,464,729
Per Head (e) ..	£ s. d. 1 2 5	£ s. d. 0 11 3	£ s. d. 1 10 8	£ s. d. 2 0 8	£ s. d. 1 9 0	£ s. d. 2 19 8	£ s. d. 1 3 10
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	Cr. 391,976	..	..	82,936	Cr. 1,768	..	Cr.310,808
Other (f)	99,896	63,742	100,000	17,671	7,720	..	289,029
Grand Total ..	2,865,951	1,161,362	1,684,053	1,331,085	685,672	714,827	8,442,950

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of Loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Including Omnibuses. (c) Loans to Metropolitan Tramways Trust. (d) Including Advances to Settlers, and Soldier Land Settlement. (e) Based on mean population of financial year. (f) Discounts and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c. (g) Included with Water Supply and Sewerage. (h) Not yet available.

TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1942.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Works—							
Railways and Tramways ..	164,304	78,236	66,222	39,130	26,985	7,410	382,287
Roads and Bridges ..	20,933	12,645	5,309	3,875	3,183	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	22,172	1,405	2,834	8,484	7,520	7,247	95,607
Water Supply and Sewerage	40,895	31,797	1,624	20,815	14,851	..	109,932
Electricity Supply ..	2,476	17,839	..	..	1,863	7,069	29,247
Public Buildings ..	17,550	8,025	7,298	4,244	2,757	2,863	42,742
Unemployment Relief ..	17,291	13,123	..	..	(b)	355	30,769
Other Public Works, &c. (c) ..	11,540	3,669	26,276	8,124	3,074	(d) 4,257	56,940
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement ..	12,328	44,057	5,650	12,007	17,804	3,073	94,919
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	19,480	..	2,001	9,233	3,853	..	34,567
Other	7,819	5,175	8,302	2,259	14,075	35	37,665
Other purposes ..	89	212	424	4,198	3,536	..	8,459
Total Works ..	336,877	216,183	125,940	112,369	99,501	32,314	923,184
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	42,830	4,864	5,827	9,252	12,104	1,017	75,894
Other	17,814	5,834	9,893	1,226	4,096	..	38,863
Grand Total ..	397,521	226,881	141,660	122,847	115,701	33,331	1,037,941

(a) Aggregate Gross Loan Expenditure. (b) Not available separately—distributed over individual items. (c) Including Loans to Local Bodies, Housing, Immigration, &c. (d) Including Loan Flotation Expenses.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1942.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Aus- tralia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (b)	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (c)
New South Wales ..	198,915	155,518	12,070	366,503	6,467	5,821	584	12,872
Victoria	111,167	62,051	4,499	177,717	4,040	2,316	221	6,577
Queensland	69,113	62,788	5,271	131,172	2,190	2,513	279	4,982
South Australia ..	64,607	42,850	1,733	109,190	2,309	1,674	87	4,070
Western Australia ..	51,480	43,863	2,016	97,359	1,744	1,684	101	3,529
Tasmania	15,157	13,352	228	28,737	534	492	11	1,037
Total	504,439	380,422	25,817	910,678	17,284	14,500	1,283	33,067

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purposes of this table dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1 (Stg.). (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State Public Debt leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable, takes no account of exchange.

(C.) COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

State, &c.	Six months ended December—					
	1941-42.			1942-43.		
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (-).	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (-).
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales(a) ..	28,846	29,689	— 843	30,650	33,643	— 2,993
Victoria ..	11,654	14,408	— 2,754	13,587	15,858	— 2,271
Queensland ..	9,433	10,753	— 1,320	12,899	11,577	+ 1,322
South Australia ..	6,453	6,705	— 252	6,549	7,150	— 601
Western Australia ..	5,388	5,844	— 456	5,865	6,278	— 413
Tasmania ..	1,404	1,676	— 272	1,413	1,817	— 404
Total, Six States ..	63,178	69,075	— 5,897	70,963	76,323	— 5,360
Commonwealth ..	76,074	76,074	—	104,853	104,853	—
Grand Total (b) ..	134,310	140,207	— 5,897	168,258	173,618	— 5,360

(a) Excluding Main Roads Department and recoups of interest, &c., from undertakings outside the Budget, and from the Unemployment Relief Fund. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals exclude payments by the Commonwealth to the States on account of compensation in respect of uniform taxation, interest on States' debts and special grants.

TAXATION REVENUE AND ADMINISTRATIVE, ETC., EXPENDITURE.

State, &c.	Revenue from Taxation.		Expenditure—Administration, Works and Social Services including Unemployment Relief.	
	Six months ended December—			
	1941-42.	1942-43. (a)	1941-42.	1942-43.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales	8,209	2,480	10,464	10,482
Victoria	2,675	1,638	5,062	5,915
Queensland	2,416	885	3,725	3,704
South Australia	1,757	683	1,934	1,995
Western Australia	1,074	363	1,553	1,745
Tasmania	629	239	959	1,062
Total, Six States	16,760	6,288	23,697	24,903
Commonwealth	62,825	88,075	(b) 48,620	(b) 69,255
Grand Total	79,585	94,363	72,317	94,158

(a) Excludes amounts received in accordance with States Grants (Income and Entertainment Tax Reimbursement) Acts, 1942. (b) Excluding Territories, payments to States under Financial Agreement and other Acts and assistance to Primary Producers. Including Defence and War Services (excluding Interest, &c., charges), £24,390,000, 1941-42; £40,904,000, 1942-43.

BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.(a)

State, &c.	Revenue.		Expenditure.	
	Six months ended December—			
	1941-42.	1942-43.	1941-42.	1942-43.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales	16,433	20,213	11,426	15,302
Victoria (b)	6,311	7,317	4,949	5,719
Queensland (c)	4,720	8,275	3,642	4,604
South Australia	3,066	3,833	2,103	2,498
Western Australia	3,053	3,222	1,977	2,210
Tasmania (d) .. ..	..	..	..	..
Total, Six States	33,583	42,860	24,097	30,333
Commonwealth	10,962	13,205	7,946	9,872
Grand Total	44,545	56,065	32,043	40,205

(a) Excluding Interest, &c., charges. (b) Railways and State Coal-mine only. (c) Railways only. (d) Since the creation of the Transport Commission, transport finance has been separated from Consolidated Revenue.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1941-42.(a)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise.	Income and Dividend Tax.	Other Taxes on Income. (b)	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties.	Motor Taxes.	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
TOTAL.									
N. South Wales	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Victoria	..	16,935,928	..	2,137	2,775,752	1,446,042	2,504,095	1,134,228	24,798,182
Queensland	..	5,903,387	1,284,797	516,282	1,426,525	938,551	1,675,256	1,178,818	12,923,616
South Australia	..	3,823,033	2,370,565	400,987	605,375	489,166	877,727	374,882	8,941,735
Western Aust.	..	2,818,846	..	300,219	586,899	232,732	505,528	346,543	4,790,767
Tasmania	..	2,290,661	333,468	135,939	180,240	219,452	374,380	284,305	3,818,445
	..	1,108,847	..	92,809	139,980	75,219	184,682	(c) 385,196	1,936,733
Total States ..	..	32,880,702	3,988,830	1,448,373	5,714,771	3,401,162	6,121,668	3,703,972	57,259,478
Commonwealth	56,780,808	77,563,926	..	3,691,184	2,845,005	..	..	438,554,422	179,435,345
Grand Total	56,780,808	110,444,628	3,988,830	5,139,557	8,559,776	3,401,162	6,121,668	42,258,394	236,694,823

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(e)

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
N. South Wales	..	6 0 5	..	..	0 19 9	0 10 3	0 17 10	0 8 1	8 16 4
Victoria	..	3 0 5	0 13 2	0 5 3	0 14 7	0 9 7	0 17 1	0 12 2	6 12 3
Queensland	..	3 14 0	2 5 10	0 7 9	0 11 9	0 9 6	0 17 0	0 7 3	8 13 1
South Australia	..	4 13 1	..	0 9 11	0 19 5	0 7 8	0 16 8	0 11 6	7 18 3
Western Aust.	..	4 17 10	0 14 3	0 5 10	0 7 8	0 9 4	0 15 11	0 12 2	8 3 0
Tasmania	..	4 12 7	..	0 7 9	0 11 9	0 6 3	0 15 5	1 12 2	8 5 11
Total States ..	..	4 12 5	0 11 2	0 4 1	0 16 1	0 9 7	0 17 2	0 10 6	8 1 0
Commonwealth	7 19 1	10 17 4	..	0 10 4	0 8 0	..	..	5 8 1	25 2 10
Grand Total	7 19 1	15 9 6	0 11 2	0 14 5	1 4 0	0 9 6	0 17 2	5 18 5	33 3 3

(a) The foregoing particulars include those amounts collected by State Governments and paid into Special Funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. (b) Including Unemployment Relief, State Development, Financial Emergency and Hospital Taxes. (c) Including Income Tax on Lottery prizes. (d) Including Sales, Flour, Pay-roll and Gold Taxes and Gift Duty. See page 27 for details. (e) Based on mean population for the financial year.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.			Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Other.	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£
1937-38 ..	48,383,005	20,665,480	69,048,485	49,674,765	118,723,250
1938-39 ..	47,632,365	26,404,534	74,036,899	50,506,997	124,543,896
1939-40 ..	53,824,906	36,185,757	90,010,663	54,386,815	144,397,478
1940-41 ..	53,779,783	71,603,739	125,383,522	56,304,176	181,687,698
1941-42 ..	56,780,808	122,654,537	179,435,345	57,259,478	236,694,823

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PER HEAD.

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.(a)			Taxation by State Governments. (b)	Total Taxation. (a)
	Customs and Excise.	Other.	Total.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1937-38 ..	7 1 0	3 0 2	10 1 2	7 5 1	17 5 11
1938-39 ..	6 17 7	3 16 2	10 13 9	7 6 2	17 19 6
1939-40 ..	7 14 0	5 3 6	12 17 6	7 16 0	20 13 0
1940-41 ..	7 12 2	10 2 7	17 14 9	7 19 10	25 14 1
1941-42 ..	7 19 1	17 3 9	25 2 10	8 1 0	33 3 3

(a) Based on mean population of Commonwealth for each financial year. (b) Based on aggregate mean population of the six States, for each financial year.

NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

Six months ended December.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total, Six States.	Commonwealth.(a)	Grand Total.
1941-42	£'000. 2,547	£'000. 587	£'000. 998	£'000. Cr. 22	£'000. 316	£'000. 344	£'000. 4,770	£'000. 97,007	£'000. 101,777
1942-43	1,183	167	207	Cr. 1,304	238	Cr. 61	430	205,922	206,352

(a) Gross expenditure. Includes Defence and War Services, £96,492,600 1941-42; £205,846,000, 1942-43.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.—(i) TOTAL DEBT.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—				
		1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.
PUBLIC DEBT.						
Commonwealth—						
War (1914-19)	Australia £A.	179,058,853	175,193,890	173,028,896	171,240,024	167,219,614
	London £Stg.	90,744,381	90,744,381	90,744,381	90,744,380	90,744,380
War (1939-42)	Australia £A.	..	..	46,808,759	109,649,579	321,344,875
	London £Stg.	..	..	5,810,000	17,875,000	17,875,000
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	37,341,609	43,302,593	37,279,030	39,458,596	39,956,165
	London £Stg.	67,619,246	72,096,566	65,779,396	65,384,097	65,134,096
	New York £Stg.	16,080,972	15,913,501	15,876,718	15,876,718	15,876,718
Total ..	Australia £A.	216,400,462	218,496,483	257,116,685	320,348,199	528,520,654
	London £Stg.	158,363,627	162,840,947	162,333,777	174,003,477	173,753,476
	New York £Stg.	16,080,972	15,913,501	15,876,718	15,876,718	15,876,718
Total ..	..	390,845,061	397,250,931	435,327,180	510,228,394	718,150,848
State ..	Australia £A.	469,742,248	485,179,757	493,646,681	504,494,372	504,439,305
	London £Stg.	385,888,993	384,327,833	384,162,382	384,041,606	380,422,219
	New York £Stg.	28,549,461	28,264,451	27,918,001	27,486,068	25,816,388
Total ..	..	884,180,702	897,772,041	905,727,064	916,022,046	910,677,912
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	686,142,710	703,676,240	750,763,366	824,842,571	1,032,959,959
	London £Stg.	544,252,620	547,168,780	546,496,159	558,045,083	554,175,695
	New York £Stg.	44,630,433	44,177,952	43,794,719	43,362,786	41,693,106
Total ..	..	1,275,025,763	1,295,022,972	1,341,054,244	1,426,250,440	1,628,828,760

(ii) DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—				
		1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.
PER HEAD OF POPULATION.						
Commonwealth— War (1914-19)	Australia £A.	£ s. d. 25 19 6	£ s. d. 25 3 4	£ s. d. 24 12 2	£ s. d. 24 2 3	£ s. d. 23 6 0
	London £Stg.	13 3 3	13 0 9	12 18 2	12 15 6	12 12 10
War (1939-42)	Australia £A.	..	..	6 13 2	16 8 9	44 15 5
	London £Stg.	..	..	0 16 6	2 10 5	2 9 10
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	5 8 4	6 4 5	5 6 0	5 11 1	5 11 4
	London £Stg.	9 16 3	10 7 1	9 7 1	9 4 1	9 1 6
	New York £Stg.	2 6 8	2 5 9	2 5 2	2 4 9	2 4 2
Total ..	Australia £A.	31 7 10	31 7 9	36 11 4	45 2 1	73 12 9
	London £Stg.	22 19 6	23 7 10	23 1 9	24 10 0	24 4 2
	New York £Stg.	2 6 8	2 5 9	2 5 2	2 4 9	2 4 2
Total ..	..	56 14 0	57 1 4	61 18 3	71 16 10	100 1 1
State ..	Australia £A.	68 6 5	69 17 8	70 8 4	71 5 4	70 9 7
	London £Stg.	56 2 6	55 7 2	54 15 11	54 5 0	53 3 0
	New York £Stg.	4 3 0	4 1 5	3 19 8	3 17 8	3 12 2
Total ..	..	128 11 11	129 6 3	129 3 11	129 8 0	127 4 9
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	99 10 9	101 1 10	106 15 6	116 2 9	143 18 4
	London £Stg.	78 19 1	78 12 1	77 14 6	78 11 5	77 4 2
	New York £Stg.	6 9 6	6 6 11	6 4 7	6 2 1	5 16 2
Total ..	..	184 19 4	186 0 10	190 14 7	200 16 3	226 18 8

(iii)—INTEREST PAYABLE.

Particulars.	Where Payable.	At 30th June—				
		1938.	1939.	1940.	1941	1942.
INTEREST PAYABLE.						
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A. London £Stg.(a) New York £Stg.	8,301,752 3,201,299 785,240	8,344,027 3,403,554 777,586	9,420,640 3,387,796 775,930	11,248,796 3,786,322 775,930	16,135,040 3,655,830 775,930
Total(b) ..	..	12,288,291	12,525,767	13,584,366	15,761,048	20,566,800
State ..	Australia £A. London £Stg. New York £Stg.	16,715,028 15,010,049 1,456,415	17,240,238 14,962,832 1,441,476	17,593,171 14,953,802 1,420,694	17,866,911 14,954,603 1,394,925	17,283,764 14,500,345 1,282,976
Total(b) ..	..	33,181,492	33,644,596	33,972,667	34,216,439	33,067,085
Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A. London £Stg.(a) New York £Stg.	25,016,780 18,211,348 2,241,655	25,584,865 18,366,438 2,219,062	27,013,811 18,346,593 2,196,024	20,115,707 18,690,925 2,170,855	33,418,804 18,156,175 2,058,906
Total(b) ..	..	45,469,783	46,170,363	47,557,033	49,977,487	53,633,885

(a) Excluding suspended interest (£3,919,774) on War Debt to British Government (£79,724,220). (b) The totals shown represent the nominal amount of interest, taking no account of exchange.

(iv)—AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.

Particulars.	Where Payable.	At 30th June—				
		1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.
AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.						
Commonwealth and State	Australia	£ s. d. 3 12 11	£ s. d. 3 12 9	£ s. d. 3 12 4	£ s. d. 3 11 1	£ s. d. 3 5 1
	London(a)	3 18 5	3 18 7	3 18 7	3 18 2	3 16 7
	New York	5 0 5	5 0 6	5 0 4	5 0 2	4 18 9
	Total(b)	3 16 1	3 16 0	3 15 8	3 14 6	3 9 6

(a) See note (a) above. (b) Based on the nominal amount of interest payable, taking no account of exchange.

(v)—SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At—								
		30th June, 1935.	30th June, 1936.	30th June, 1937.	30th June, 1938.	30th June, 1939.	30th June, 1940.	30th June, 1941.	30th June, 1942.	31st Dec., 1942.
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A. London £Stg.	£'000. 10,220	£'000. 10,220	£'000. 9,720	£'000. 5,495	£'000. 4,220	£'000. 3,970	£'000. 3,720	£'000. 3,470	£'000. 3,220
State ..	Australia £A. London £Stg.	45,124 23,405	47,013 23,155	46,408 23,155	46,598 23,155	50,228 23,155	45,463 23,155	45,423 23,155	45,083 24,879	46,120 24,304
Total ..	Australia £A. London £Stg.	45,124 33,625	47,013 33,375	46,408 32,875	46,598 28,650	50,228 27,375	45,463 27,125	47,173 26,875	128,583 28,849	232,320 27,524

(a) Excluding Overdrafts.

(D.) BANKING.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS. (Including Commonwealth Bank.)

Quarter ended—	Deposits.			Advances.	Government and Municipal Securities (including Treasury Bills).	Percentage Non-interest-bearing to Total Deposits.	Percentage Advances to Total Deposits.
	Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest. (a)	Total.				
	£	£	£	£	£	%	%
June, 1938 ..	141,044,095	250,499,233	391,543,328	323,201,132	86,840,366	35.9	78.6
„ 1939 ..	140,225,435	250,561,218	390,786,653	332,688,203	93,820,443	35.6	81.3
„ 1940 ..	170,778,504	268,195,648	438,974,152	347,379,567	118,733,337	38.9	75.7
„ 1941 ..	189,643,072	268,408,222	458,051,294	330,534,522	142,927,611	41.3	68.9
Mar., 1942 ..	217,515,186	262,603,163	480,118,349	321,196,579	199,771,006	45.2	63.9
June, 1942 ..	227,075,766	255,646,367	482,722,133	323,850,499	198,428,666	47.0	64.0
Sept., 1942 ..	237,697,627	252,922,373	490,620,000	312,970,861	211,589,753	48.4	60.8
Dec., 1942 ..	270,784,818	266,794,067	537,578,885	295,065,364	266,812,597	50.30	52.2

(a) Includes Inscribed Deposit Stock of E.S. and A. and Queensland National Banks. (b) Includes Short-term Loans, other than Treasury Bills of the Commonwealth Bank. (c) In computing the ratios the figures relating to the Rural Bank of New South Wales have been excluded.

NINE AUSTRALIAN TRADING BANKS. AVERAGE LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA.

Quarter ended—	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.(a)	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
June, 1938..	167,212	2,927,840	941,148	120,407,999	201,520,941	321,923,940	325,965,140
" 1939..	167,097	3,066,541	809,769	120,112,182	203,851,529	323,963,711	328,007,118
" 1940..	166,877	3,592,048	1,000,181	138,438,117	214,685,760	353,123,877	357,882,983
" 1941..	166,766	3,580,601	931,934	157,746,234	209,955,497	367,701,731	372,381,032
Mar., 1942..	166,711	3,577,555	1,232,784	187,196,341	204,057,433	391,253,774	396,230,824
June, 1942..	166,669	3,912,162	1,061,604	193,618,973	195,492,847	389,111,820	394,252,255
Sept., 1942..	166,649	3,666,843	1,112,911	199,187,112	193,107,831	392,294,943	397,241,346
Dec., 1942..	166,644	4,228,729	1,278,472	225,379,097	194,048,186	419,427,283	425,101,128

(a) Including inscribed deposit stock of the Queensland National and E.S. and A. Banks.

NINE AUSTRALIAN TRADING BANKS. AVERAGE ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA.

Quarter ended—	Coin and Bullion.	Australian Notes and Cash with Commonwealth Bank.	Government and Municipal Securities. (a)	Land and House Property.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Discounts, Overdrafts and all other assets.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
June, 1938	2,532,311	30,938,331	41,465,023	9,120,699	1,563,336	2,205,041	284,100,518	371,975,259
" 1939	3,006,537	27,448,820	47,297,917	9,557,764	1,631,357	2,183,672	290,776,158	381,902,225
" 1940	2,193,333	36,793,049	83,617,013	9,982,499	2,099,207	2,339,812	286,784,220	423,809,133
" 1941	2,139,134	34,225,594	102,353,974	10,297,060	2,736,735	2,536,965	233,053,867	437,343,329
Mar., 1942	1,976,842	669,341,983	107,716,753	10,029,120	3,064,516	2,526,212	265,037,200	459,692,631
June, 1942	1,533,092	673,845,665	95,836,702	9,995,607	3,246,603	3,551,116	269,944,477	457,953,262
Sept., 1942	1,603,527	682,956,733	96,719,977	9,984,096	3,295,033	3,500,660	264,109,775	462,169,801
Dec., 1942	1,602,763	6103,593,225	118,403,495	9,936,495	3,023,297	3,781,650	249,630,908	489,971,833

(a) Including Treasury Bills.

(b) Including special War-time deposits with Commonwealth Bank.

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Quarter ended—	General Banking Department.						Note Issue and General Banking Department.	Notes held outside Commonwealth Bank.	
	Business within Australia.								
	Deposits.			Balances Due to other Banks.	Advances, &c., and Short-term Loans.	Government and Municipal Securities. (b)			Sterling Reserve and Short Call Money in London. (c)
	Not Bearing Interest. (a)	Bearing Interest.	Total.						
June, 1938	£ 18,505,546	£ 45,256,710	£ 63,762,256	£ 19,404,009	£ 15,159,773	£ 41,952,657	£'000. 42,849	£'000. 45,802	
„ 1939	18,127,674	43,274,759	61,402,433	18,745,765	18,947,594	44,934,725	32,866	44,123	
„ 1940	30,053,407	50,169,377	80,222,784	23,963,233	37,411,771	33,086,001	53,539	51,606	
„ 1941	28,699,147	55,150,275	83,849,422	29,078,419	24,625,654	37,975,659	74,201	63,724	
Mar., 1942	26,677,735	55,212,155	81,889,890	437,861,968	34,448,391	89,402,219	53,378	82,746	
June, 1942	29,815,229	57,132,081	86,947,310	433,076,435	32,129,346	100,056,870	53,590	94,917	
Sept., 1942	34,793,045	56,669,585	91,462,630	438,568,964	27,579,994	112,412,849	63,212	104,405	
Dec., 1942	41,131,179	69,449,520	110,580,699	442,874,379	24,686,022	145,482,654	75,927	113,317	

(a) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate deducted.

(b) Including Treasury Bills.

(c) Not to be taken as a measure of Net London Funds.

(d) Excluding special War-time deposits

March quarter, 1942, £27,987,722; June quarter, 1942, £37,285,900; September quarter, 1942, £39,726,592; December quarter, 1942, £55,040,053.

SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
June—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1938 ..	86,016	78,877	28,206	27,244	12,037	7,692	68	292	240,432
1939 ..	87,474	80,461	29,045	27,397	12,396	8,396	99	319	245,587
1940 ..	82,111	79,145	28,252	26,563	11,860	8,518	192	350	236,991
1941 ..	87,750	85,689	29,089	27,510	12,521	8,941	357	374	252,231
1942 ..	94,538	94,226	31,214	30,616	13,821	9,472	..	388	274,275
1941—									
Oct. ..	91,314	89,861	30,561	28,544	13,219	9,320	396	384	263,599
Nov. ..	91,499	90,995	30,610	28,629	13,329	9,381	418	378	265,239
Dec. ..	91,658	91,561	30,591	28,817	13,299	9,388	395	387	266,096
1942—									
Oct. ..	103,583	103,153	35,546	33,191	15,528	10,011	(b)	439	301,451
Nov. ..	104,930	104,725	36,496	33,494	15,823	10,019	(b)	440	305,927
Dec. ..	105,745	105,639	37,441	33,677	16,020	10,061	(b)	429	309,012

(a) Including Commonwealth Savings Bank.

(b) Deposits transferred to South Australia.

NOTE.—In addition to the savings shown above a net amount (i.e., total less re-purchases), of £1,273,000 was subscribed for War Savings Certificates between March, 1940, and December, 1942.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK—DEPOSITS.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June—									
1938 ..	86,016	10,735	28,206	3,092	12,037	2,221	68	292	142,667
1939 ..	87,474	11,242	29,045	3,167	12,396	2,358	99	319	146,100
1940 ..	82,111	11,785	28,252	3,094	11,860	2,297	192	350	139,941
1941 ..	87,750	13,942	29,089	3,509	12,521	2,423	357	374	149,965
1942 ..	94,538	16,910	31,214	4,684	13,821	2,705	..	388	164,260
1941—									
Oct. ..	91,314	15,070	30,561	3,786	13,219	2,534	396	384	157,264
Nov. ..	91,499	15,369	30,610	3,850	13,329	2,556	418	378	158,009
Dec. ..	91,658	15,667	30,591	3,939	13,299	2,572	395	387	158,508
1942—									
Oct. ..	103,583	19,270	35,546	5,208	15,528	2,974	(a)	439	182,548
Nov. ..	104,930	19,760	36,496	5,342	15,823	2,997	(a)	440	185,788
Dec. ..	105,745	20,057	37,441	5,417	16,020	3,036	(a)	429	188,145

(a) Deposits transferred to South Australia.

BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC., CLEARED.

Weekly Average.	Sydney.		Melbourne.		Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth.	Hobart.
	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)				
Year 1939 ..	£'000. 23,428	£'000. 17,930	£'000. 16,627	£'000. 15,626	£'000. 4,288	£'000. 2,930	£'000. 2,059	£'000. 652
" 1940 ..	26,073	20,538	19,380	18,829	4,803	3,426	2,293	701
" 1941 ..	26,978	21,841	21,621	21,010	4,676	3,753	2,234	699
" 1942 ..	29,157	23,933	24,555	24,228	5,284	4,226	2,398	774
1942—								
29th Sept. to 26th Oct. ..	31,071	25,464	25,357	25,082	6,124	4,612	2,549	794
27th Oct. to 30th Nov. ..	29,857	25,517	25,785	25,665	5,798	4,690	2,501	766
1st Dec. to 31st Dec. ..	31,946	27,033	25,801	25,688	6,008	4,396	2,420	812

(a) Average weekly clearings exclusive of transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills. These abnormal transactions have been in operation in Victoria since October, 1929, and in New South Wales, since October, 1930.

Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, Motor Vehicles and Wireless.

A.—Railways.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.

Heading.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.
Government—					
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,113	6,114	6,141	6,127	6,127
Victoria ..	4,721	4,759	4,759	4,759	4,766
Queensland ..	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567
South Australia ..	2,557	2,557	2,557	2,557	2,557
Western Australia ..	4,376	4,378	4,381	4,381	4,381
Tasmania ..	651	658	645	642	642
Total ..	27,186	27,234	27,251	27,234	27,241

CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.(a)

Government.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth ..	16,897,209	17,032,884	17,191,356	17,332,574	17,500,000
New South Wales ..	146,808,073	147,617,530	149,203,908	149,575,526	150,661,127
Victoria ..	51,764,255	52,448,789	52,037,722	52,229,383	52,718,195
Queensland ..	37,446,264	37,897,129	38,369,254	38,777,931	38,827,199
South Australia ..	29,582,615	29,732,889	30,109,220	30,399,735	30,801,278
Western Australia ..	25,779,661	26,021,781	26,187,632	26,309,388	26,393,048
Tasmania ..	2,106,081	2,140,330	2,155,261	2,248,034	2,348,784
Total(b) ..	314,746,658	317,253,832	319,616,853	321,235,071	323,612,131

AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

Government.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
Commonwealth ..	2,197	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,114	6,114	6,118	6,127	6,127
Victoria ..	4,721	4,754	4,759	4,759	4,746
Queensland ..	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567
South Australia ..	2,555	2,557	2,557	2,557	2,557
Western Australia ..	4,374	4,376	4,380	4,381	4,381
Tasmania ..	651	658	644	642	642
Total ..	27,179	27,227	27,226	27,234	27,221

TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN(c)—'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	758	902	958	1,234	2,323
New South Wales ..	30,203	30,106	29,471	32,285	236,368
Victoria ..	17,917	17,890	17,008	17,767	18,249
Queensland ..	13,648	13,927	14,190	14,603	16,396
South Australia ..	6,111	6,177	5,928	5,892	6,599
Western Australia ..	6,372	6,575	6,134	6,144	6,355
Tasmania ..	1,933	1,906	2,064	2,167	2,176
Total ..	76,942	77,483	75,753	80,092	88,466

GROSS REVENUE—£'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	443	547	622	971	2,195
New South Wales ..	20,286	19,946	20,755	24,016	28,487
Victoria ..	9,735	9,284	9,861	11,239	14,520
Queensland ..	7,383	7,798	8,090	8,415	11,654
South Australia ..	3,285	3,119	3,168	3,512	4,944
Western Australia ..	3,678	3,599	3,556	3,572	3,996
Tasmania ..	464	487	536	600	686
Total ..	45,274	44,780	46,588	52,325	66,482

(a) Capital has been reduced during the past fifteen years by approximately £61,500,000 (Victoria, £25,700,000; Queensland, £28,000,000; South Australia, £3,100,000; Tasmania £4,700,000).

(b) Including £4,862,500 for Grafton-South Brisbane line.

(c) Excluding of "Assistant" and

"Light" mileages.

(d) Partly estimated.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

Government.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
WORKING EXPENSES—£'000 OMITTED.					
Commonwealth	512	642	842	903	1,356
New South Wales	13,760	14,543	14,647	17,162	21,713
Victoria	7,830	8,060	8,058	8,959	11,600
Queensland	5,887	6,193	6,368	6,708	8,488
South Australia	2,867	2,931	2,937	3,062	3,856
Western Australia	2,710	2,911	2,828	2,758	3,026
Tasmania	676	678	688	757	854
Total	34,242	35,958	36,368	40,309	50,893

NET EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.					
Commonwealth	-69	-95	-220	68	839
New South Wales	6,526	5,403	6,108	6,854	6,774
Victoria	1,905	1,224	1,803	2,280	2,920
Queensland	1,496	1,605	1,722	1,707	3,166
South Australia	418	188	231	450	1,088
Western Australia	968	688	728	814	970
Tasmania	-212	-191	-152	-157	-168
Total	11,032	8,822	10,220	12,016	15,589

PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.(a)					
Commonwealth	% -0.41	% -0.56	% -1.28	% 0.39	% 4.79
New South Wales	4.45	3.66	4.09	4.58	4.50
Victoria	3.68	2.33	3.47	4.37	5.54
Queensland	3.99	4.24	4.49	4.40	8.15
South Australia	1.41	0.63	0.77	1.48	3.53
Western Australia	3.75	2.64	2.78	3.09	3.68
Tasmania	-10.06	-8.91	-7.02	-6.99	-7.16
Total(b)	3.55	2.78	3.20	3.74	4.82

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

(a) See note (a) on previous page. (b) Including Grafton-South Brisbane line.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1941.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land(a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,127	4,759	6,497	2,557	4,381	642	27,164
Revenue—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	127	2,671	1,518	685	303	253	48	5,605
Goods, including live stock and minerals £	196	3,307	1,256	1,821	637	700	99	8,016
Miscellaneous £	59	(d) 325	255	(e) 78	29	5	5	751
Total Revenue £	382	(f) 6,303	3,029	2,506	1,018	982	152	14,372
Expenditure £	276	4,273	2,359	1,815	848	737	(g) 188	10,496
Train-miles run	412	8,484	4,456	4,030	1,604	(h) 1,637	(i) 573	21,196
Earnings per train-mile	18s. 6d.	14s. 10d.	13s. 7d.	12s. 5d.	12s. 8d.	12s. 0d.	5s. 4d.	13s. 7d.
Expenditure per train-mile	13s. 5d.	10s. 1d.	10s. 7d.	9s. 0d.	10s. 6d.	9s. 0d.	6s. 7d.	9s. 11d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings	% 72.25	67.80	77.89	72.44	83.31	75.10	124.04	73.04
Passenger-journeys, No.	62	52,463	43,712	7,633	6,350	3,458	789	114,467
Coal and Coke carried, tons	9	2,120	105	240	42	77	100	2,693
Other Minerals carried, tons	10	567	(j)	110	166	36	(k)	889
Live Stock carried, tons	25	169	150	166	48	33	6	597
Other Goods carried ..	45	1,499	1,350	1,318	483	502	150	5,347
Total Freight carried ..	89	4,355	1,605	1,834	739	648	256	9,526

(a) Excluding Grafton-South Brisbane line. (b) Including Road Motors. (c) '000 omitted.
 (d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.
 (e) Included with Coaching. (f) Excluding Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excluding depreciation. (h) Including Assistant and Light miles. (i) Including Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor Miles. (j) Included with Other Goods. (k) Included with Coal and Coke.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1942.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,127	4,766	6,497	2,548	4,381	642	27,162
Revenue—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	200	3,520	1,796	1,112	408	292	56	7,384
Goods, including live stock and minerals £	592	4,817	1,976	3,347	926	679	116	12,453
Miscellaneous £	17	(d) 378	290	(e) 95	43	6	6	829
Total Revenue £	809	(f) 8,715	4,062	4,459	1,429	1,014	178	20,666
Expenditure £	471	5,970	2,671	2,210	1,028	788	(g) 206	13,344
Train-miles run ..	839	10,500	4,622	4,953	1,768	(h) 1,544	(i) 564	24,790
Earnings per train-mile	19s. 3d.	16s. 7d.	17s. 7d.	18s. 0d.	16s. 2d.	13s. 2d.	6s. 4d.	16s. 8d.
Expenditure per train-mile	11s. 3d.	11s. 4d.	11s. 7d.	8s. 11d.	11s. 8d.	10s. 3d.	7s. 4d.	10s. 9d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings .. %	58.27	68.49	65.77	49.55	71.94	77.77	115.46	64.57
Passenger-journeys, No.	98	56,917	46,390	7,951	7,718	3,802	823	123,699
Coal and Coke carried, tons	2	(j)	(j)	275	41	71	73	(j)
Other Minerals carried, tons	6	(j)	(j)	120	159	37	(k)	(j)
Live Stock carried, tons	11	(j)	132	166	59	33	7	(j)
Other Goods carried ..	100	4,860	1,890	1,247	652	415	169	9,333
Total Freight carried ..	119	4,860	2,022	1,808	911	556	249	10,525

(a) Excluding Grafton-South Brisbane line. (b) Including Road Motors. (c) '000 omitted.
 (d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.
 (e) Included with Coaching. (f) Excluding Governmental contributions towards losses on
 non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excluding depreciation. (h) Including Assistant and
 Light Miles. (i) Including Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor Miles. (j) Not available.
 (k) Included with Coal and Coke.

B.—Civil Aviation.(a)

Particulars.	Quarter ended September—				
	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.(e)
Registered Aircraft owners					
(c)	139	149	137	120	119
Registered Aircraft(c) ..	286	296	288	202	192
Licensed Pilots—(c) ..					
Private	937	1,096	(b) 1,225	502	239
Commercial	323	346	(b) 324	187	181
Licensed Ground Engi- neers(c)	437	525	(b) 651	617	716
Aerodromes—(c)					
Government	74	71	73	79	72
Public	197	213	224	212	207
Government Emer- gency Grounds	153	147	141	116	116
Hours flown	30,013	29,133	20,270	19,122	14,780
Approximate mileage .. Miles	3,374,583	3,113,471	2,439,058	2,413,141	1,984,632
Passengers carried—					
Paying	31,851	30,284	28,054	41,934	34,189
Non-paying	6,165	7,625	2,592	1,935	758
Total	38,016	37,909	30,646	43,869	34,938
Goods, Weight carried .. lb.	379,636	466,934	421,859	644,229	638,975
Mails, Weight carried ..	(d) 131,175	(d) 167,451	(d) 88,739	(d) 238,375	(d) 263,202
Accidents—					
Persons killed .. No.	5	..	..	3	2
injured	6	..	..	..	..

(a) Including particulars of the Darwin-Singapore overseas service, but excluding those relating to civil aviation in New Guinea. (b) Including licences issued for New Guinea. (c) At 30th June.
 (d) Including gross weight of overseas mail, i.e. includes weight of mail bags. (e) Subject to revision.

C.—Telephones.

Particulars.	At 30th June, 1939.	At 30th June, 1940.	At 30th June, 1941.	At 30th June, 1942.	At 31st Dec., 1942.
Lines connected	487,535	506,612	525,547	531,075	535,240
Instruments connected ..	661,996	691,088	720,321	738,666	751,891

D.—Motor Vehicles.

State or Territory.	No. of Registrations.				Drivers' and Riders' Licences Issued.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Commercial Vehicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registration and Motor Tax. £	Drivers' and Riders' &c., Licences. £	Miscellaneous. £	Total. £
1941-42.									
New South Wales ..	171,268	72,138	15,323	258,729	427,910	2,235,717	214,738	77,995	2,528,450
Victoria ..	123,649	84,589	16,692	224,930	339,334	1,563,660	85,053	35,895	1,684,608
Queensland ..	60,929	43,029	5,566	109,524	209,412	793,376	52,769	50,023	896,768
South Australia ..	49,887	21,897	5,359	77,143	106,455	446,919	53,674	14,051	514,644
Western Australia ..	29,048	21,729	4,052	54,829	73,364	324,702	23,328	30,536	378,566
Tasmania ..	14,189	5,438	2,244	21,871	25,282	150,788	12,641	22,461	185,890
Northern Territory	464	1,270	162	1,896	2,182	3,191	901	..	4,092
Australian Capital Territory ..	1,417	425	69	1,911	2,733	10,272	1,469	143	11,884
Total ..	450,851	250,515	49,467	750,833	1,186,672	5,528,625	444,573	231,704	6,204,902
Total, 1940-41 ..	538,527	262,484	70,922	871,933	1,260,193	6,562,350	496,670	275,911	7,334,931

REGISTRATIONS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1942.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	(b)N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars ..	173,378	124,048	62,920	53,558	29,046	15,094	464	1,440	459,948
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	72,177	87,080	44,075	22,583	21,275	5,429	1,270	407	254,296
Motor Cycles ..	14,822	15,674	5,479	5,882	3,726	2,304	162	75	48,124
Total ..	260,377	226,802	112,474	82,023	54,047	22,827	1,896	1,922	762,368
Total at 31st December, 1941 ..	285,256	238,553	121,804	86,172	59,680	23,747	1,651	2,171	819,034

(a) Including extra-metropolitan area as at 30th November, 1942. (b) At preceding 30th June.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW VEHICLES DURING THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1942.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	(a)S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars ..	454	467	237	150	154	60	2	1,524
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	228	410	209	78	94	12	1	1,032
Motor Cycles ..	124	38	22	23	35	3	3	248
Total ..	806	915	468	251	(b) 283	75	6	2,804
Total, Six months ended December, 1941 ..	2,240	1,945	817	738	507	182	12	6,441

(a) Excluding Northern Territory. (b) Subject to revision.

NOTE.—In each of the tables above particulars of primary producers' vehicles, Victoria, are included under the heading Commercial Vehicles, &c.

E.—Wireless.

NUMBER OF BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENCES.

In force at—	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land. (b)	S. Aust. (c)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30th June, 1930 ..	111,080	139,887	23,263	25,671	5,715	6,032	311,648
" " 1931 ..	122,470	137,005	24,108	30,238	9,075	8,232	331,128
" " 1932 ..	141,450	139,323	28,958	37,142	12,679	9,540	369,092
" " 1933 ..	178,000	170,995	36,186	50,150	20,536	12,563	468,430
" " 1934 ..	226,831	206,995	52,038	64,174	31,404	16,547	597,989
" " 1935 ..	278,648	236,886	67,369	76,365	41,176	20,088	720,532
" " 1936 ..	315,731	263,414	83,028	87,335	49,987	24,118	823,613
" " 1937 ..	358,292	288,717	101,358	99,033	61,151	29,780	938,331
" " 1938 ..	403,978	315,406	117,496	111,787	71,824	36,013	1,056,004
" " 1939 ..	433,029	327,579	133,217	117,807	79,262	39,392	1,129,786
" " 1940 ..	458,155	348,153	151,110	124,891	87,764	42,182	1,212,260
" " 1941 ..	494,884	362,790	168,216	131,292	91,368	44,716	1,293,266
" " 1942 ..	500,451	371,504	172,527	137,244	91,945	46,404	1,320,075
December, 1942 (d)	523,920	381,495	173,801	144,209	95,118	48,073	1,366,616

(a) Including Australian Capital Territory. (b) Including Papua. (c) Including Northern Territory. (d) Includes licences in respect of more than one receiver owned by one person.

Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.	Australia
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.										
1937	184	147	110	113	132	76	6	15	783	(a)358
1938	194	147	111	114	136	78	6	15	801	(a)366
1939	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	819	(a)380
1940	196	147	115	118	140	77	4	15	812	(a)381
1941	193	146	115	117	141	76	4	15	807	(a)374

NUMBER OF BRANCHES.

1937	571	396	309	171	198	70	..	1	1,716	(b)2,141
1938	573	400	314	179	202	58	..	1	1,727	(b)2,162
1939	598	398	312	178	204	69	..	1	1,760	(b)2,199
1940	601	387	309	174	209	71	..	1	1,752	(b)2,183
1941	599	386	309	174	208	71	..	1	1,748	(b)2,181

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

1937	333,879	209,794	162,212	63,770	65,053	19,208	912	1,455	856,283	856,283
1938	346,837	215,021	169,569	62,404	67,932	21,051	806	1,538	885,168	885,168
1939	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,685	915,470	915,470
1940	364,202	232,288	189,732	73,503	68,271	24,556	1,405	1,905	955,862	955,862
1941	425,522	270,343	192,015	95,289	65,015	24,292	1,406	1,798	1,075,680	1,075,680

(a) Allowing for Interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and Interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Including not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Interstate unions, but also head State branches of Interstate unions.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

Unemployment—Australia.—Number and Membership of Reporting Unions and Branches, and Number and Percentage Unemployed.(a)

Period.					Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
							Number.	Percentage. (b)
1938	Year	..	..	..	390	466,325	40,138	8.7
1939	"	..	..	..	396	476,918	45,967	9.7
1940	"	..	..	..	394	491,352	39,116	8.0
1941	"	..	..	..	395	536,660	20,013	3.7
1942	"	..	..	..	394	613,534	9,768	1.6
1932—June	Quarter(c)	..	..	..	396	413,742	124,068	30.0
1939—March	"	..	..	..	395	474,277	45,545	9.6
June	"	..	..	..	398	477,149	45,183	9.5
September	"	..	..	..	397	478,000	48,888	10.2
December	"	..	..	..	392	478,245	44,253	9.3
1940—March	"	..	..	..	394	483,806	38,307	7.9
June	"	..	..	..	388	475,815	49,775	10.5
September	"	..	..	..	397	496,872	36,892	7.4
December	"	..	..	..	396	508,914	31,491	6.2
1941—March	"	..	..	..	398	514,379	27,289	5.3
June	"	..	..	..	395	517,696	18,595	3.6
September	"	..	..	..	394	541,883	17,541	3.2
December	"	..	..	..	394	572,680	16,028	2.9
1942—March	"	..	..	..	394	588,525	10,767	1.8
June	"	..	..	..	394	603,066	10,333	1.7
September	"	..	..	..	394	617,076	9,603	1.6
December	"	..	..	..	394	645,467	8,350	1.3

NOTE.—The unions covered by the returns represent 54 per cent. of the total membership of unions, and relate to between 20 and 25 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the trend of unemployment among trade unionists as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters. (b) A more extended table of percentages will be found on page 69. (c) Peak of unemployment.

Unemployment (a)—States—Percentage Unemployed.

Period.			N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
			%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1937	Year	.. ..	10.9	9.0	7.3	8.2	5.6	7.3	9.3
1938	"	.. ..	9.9	8.6	6.4	8.3	5.7	7.9	8.7
1939	"	.. ..	11.0	10.4	5.9	9.3	7.1	8.1	9.7
1940	"	.. ..	11.0	5.8	5.5	7.0	5.6	5.2	8.0
1941	"	.. ..	4.7	2.5	4.5	2.7	2.9	3.3	3.7
1942	"	.. ..	1.8	1.2	2.3	1.1	1.6	0.8	1.6
1932—June	Quarter (b)	..	33.2	27.7	19.0	35.2	30.3	27.5	30.0
1938—March	"	..	9.6	7.3	6.6	6.9	4.8	5.7	8.0
June	"	..	9.8	8.5	7.2	7.5	5.3	7.2	8.6
September	"	..	10.0	9.7	6.3	10.0	6.1	8.5	9.2
December	"	..	10.1	9.0	5.7	8.8	6.5	10.2	8.9
1939—March	"	..	10.6	10.8	6.1	9.3	7.3	7.6	9.6
June	"	..	10.6	10.4	5.7	9.5	6.2	9.4	9.5
September	"	..	11.6	11.2	5.8	9.4	8.2	8.3	10.2
December	"	..	11.1	9.0	5.8	9.1	6.6	7.1	9.3
1940—March	"	..	9.7	6.5	5.8	8.5	6.9	4.8	7.9
June	" (c)	..	15.9	6.6	6.8	8.3	5.6	5.0	10.5
September	"	..	9.8	5.9	4.9	6.6	6.0	4.6	7.4
December	"	..	8.5	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.0	6.5	6.2
1941—March	"	..	7.0	3.2	5.9	3.9	4.3	3.6	5.3
June	"	..	4.5	2.4	4.2	2.8	3.1	2.4	3.6
September	"	..	4.0	2.2	4.1	2.3	2.4	2.6	3.2
December	"	..	3.5	2.1	3.8	1.8	1.8	4.5	2.9
1942—March	"	..	2.0	1.4	3.2	1.0	1.7	0.7	1.8
June	"	..	1.9	1.2	2.6	1.3	1.7	0.6	1.7
September	"	..	1.9	1.2	1.8	1.1	1.8	0.9	1.6
December	"	..	1.5	0.9	1.6	0.9	1.3	0.8	1.3

NOTE.—For some States the returns are a more representative sample than for others. The table above, therefore, should not be read as indicating the relative degree of unemployment among trade unionists in the individual States, but as an indication of trend of unemployment as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

(a) See notes to table on page 48. (b) Peak of unemployment. (c) Coal-mining employees out of work owing to the industrial dispute were excluded from the tabulation, but persons in other industries indirectly unemployed owing to the dispute were included.

Unemployment (a)—Australia—Percentages in Industrial Groups.

Industrial Group.	1929.	1932.	1941.	1942.			
	March Qtr.	June Qtr. (b)	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Manufacturing—							
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. . .	6.5	39.6	1.6	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.8
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c. . .	11.2	33.9	2.0	0.9	0.9	1.1	0.7
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c. . .	5.5	19.3	7.7	3.5	3.8	4.3	3.8
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c. . .	9.8	22.6	1.3	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6
V. Books, Printing, &c. . .	2.6	16.8	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2
VI. Other Manufacturing . .	13.8	43.0	3.3	2.2	1.4	1.4	1.4
VII. Building . .	10.6	42.1	4.8	3.5	3.5	2.8	1.9
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, &c. . .	13.2	34.2	5.4	4.0	4.4	3.6	3.5
X. Land Transport other than Railway and Tramway Services . .	7.6	29.6	3.1	2.2	2.6	2.3	2.3
IX., XI., XII., XIII., and XIV. (c) Other and Miscellaneous . .	7.3	22.2	2.0	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.3
All Groups . .	9.3	30.0	2.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.3

(a) See notes to table on page 48. (b) Peak of unemployment. (c) For classification see p. 53.

AUSTRALIA.—Employment of Wage and Salary Earners

Month.	Estimated Total Employment, (a) (Excluding Rural and Household Domestic.)			Pay-roll Tax Returns (b) :—Employees recorded on last pay-roll of month by—						
	Govt. (Commonwealth, State, and Local).	Private Employers.	Total.	All Employers Furnishing Returns.	Employers whose principal activity was—					
					Mining and Quarrying.	Workshop and Factory.	Building and Construction.	Transport.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.

MALES (Thousands).

1933—June	262.2	723.8	986.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1939—July	349.8	956.2	1,306.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1941—July	375.3	1,009.8	1,385.1	1,189.9	46.6	474.4	50.8	164.8	81.1	128.8
Nov.	381.3	1,014.9	1,396.2	1,205.8	46.1	482.9	47.6	173.1	81.1	129.5
Dec.	385.3	994.6	1,379.9	1,185.6	45.1	470.5	45.3	178.2	80.4	125.4
1942—Jan.	385.0	979.9	1,364.9	1,167.2	43.6	468.5	47.5	175.4	76.1	122.9
Feb.	387.6	968.1	1,355.7	1,157.4	43.2	466.4	49.8	173.5	73.9	120.1
March	392.1	957.1	1,349.2	1,158.0	42.8	466.9	50.1	177.2	71.6	118.0
April	396.0	941.4	1,337.4	1,149.7	42.0	462.6	49.5	183.9	69.2	115.0
May	396.4	929.7	1,326.1	1,137.3	40.2	461.3	47.9	183.4	66.6	112.4
June	409.8	910.9	1,320.7	1,121.5	40.8	458.7	46.9	175.6	64.7	110.4
July	408.9	899.9	1,308.8	1,110.6	40.4	457.4	41.9	175.9	63.3	107.5
Aug.	406.8	893.2	1,300.0	1,104.3	40.0	457.1	40.0	176.6	62.3	104.4
Sept.	408.4	887.8	1,296.2	1,098.8	39.5	457.1	38.0	176.2	61.2	105.5
Oct.	408.4	882.5	1,290.9	1,093.9	39.5	456.6	37.3	176.4	60.1	104.8
Nov.	407.6	880.6	1,288.2	1,090.2	39.0	456.5	36.8	176.0	59.9	104.1
Dec.	404.8	879.0	1,283.8	1,082.4	38.3	453.7	36.5	176.1	61.6	103.3

FEMALES (Thousands).

1933—June	46.5	278.2	324.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1939—July	55.2	365.3	420.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1941—July	70.8	444.4	515.2	398.0	0.4	180.1	1.2	7.2	76.6	46.7
Nov.	76.3	461.1	537.4	419.2	0.4	188.9	1.3	7.9	81.4	50.0
Dec.	77.3	462.1	539.4	419.1	0.5	184.3	1.3	7.9	85.3	50.1
1942—Jan.	81.0	460.9	541.9	415.8	0.5	184.9	1.3	8.4	79.4	51.6
Feb.	83.8	468.7	552.5	423.1	0.5	189.7	1.3	8.6	80.4	52.3
March	88.4	470.3	558.7	427.0	0.5	191.5	1.4	9.0	80.0	52.9
April	92.2	471.3	563.5	426.9	0.5	189.4	1.4	9.1	81.0	53.4
May	94.2	467.8	562.0	425.6	0.5	188.7	1.4	9.4	79.6	53.7
June	96.4	467.2	563.6	425.1	0.5	189.0	1.4	9.7	78.4	54.1
July	98.0	467.4	565.4	426.4	0.5	190.2	1.4	10.1	77.3	54.5
Aug.	100.9	467.2	568.1	425.9	0.5	189.8	1.4	10.3	76.7	55.0
Sept.	103.7	465.2	568.9	424.3	0.5	189.8	1.5	10.5	75.9	55.4
Oct.	106.4	468.1	574.5	428.4	0.5	191.9	1.5	10.9	76.0	55.4
Nov.	108.3	471.5	579.8	431.4	0.5	193.2	1.5	11.4	77.1	55.3
Dec.	111.3	472.1	583.4	433.1	0.5	193.2	1.5	11.8	78.3	55.1

PERSONS (Thousands).

1933—June	308.7	1,002.0	1,310.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1939—July	405.0	1,321.5	1,726.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1941—July	446.1	1,454.2	1,900.3	1,587.9	47.0	654.5	52.0	172.0	157.7	175.5
Nov.	457.6	1,476.0	1,933.6	1,625.0	46.5	671.8	48.9	181.0	162.5	179.5
Dec.	462.6	1,456.7	1,919.3	1,604.7	45.6	654.8	46.6	186.1	165.7	175.5
1942—Jan.	466.0	1,440.8	1,906.8	1,583.0	44.1	653.4	48.8	183.8	155.5	174.5
Feb.	471.4	1,436.8	1,908.2	1,580.5	43.7	656.1	51.1	182.1	154.3	172.4
March	480.5	1,427.4	1,907.9	1,585.0	43.3	658.4	51.5	186.2	151.6	170.9
April	488.2	1,412.7	1,900.9	1,576.6	42.5	652.0	50.9	193.0	150.2	168.4
May	490.6	1,397.5	1,888.1	1,562.9	40.7	650.0	49.3	192.8	146.2	166.1
June	506.2	1,378.1	1,884.3	1,546.6	41.3	647.7	48.3	185.3	143.1	164.5
July	506.9	1,367.3	1,874.2	1,537.0	40.9	647.6	43.3	186.0	140.6	162.0
Aug.	507.7	1,360.4	1,868.1	1,530.2	40.5	646.9	41.4	186.9	139.0	159.4
Sept.	512.1	1,353.0	1,865.1	1,523.1	40.4	646.9	39.5	186.7	137.1	160.9
Oct.	514.8	1,350.6	1,865.4	1,522.3	40.0	648.5	38.8	187.3	136.1	160.2
Nov.	515.9	1,352.1	1,868.0	1,521.6	39.5	649.7	38.3	187.4	137.0	159.4
Dec.	516.1	1,351.1	1,867.2	1,515.5	38.8	646.9	38.0	187.9	139.9	158.4

(a) Estimated number of wage and salary earners in employment defined as "persons occupied as wage and salary earners" as distinct from "equivalent of full-time employment". Employees absent in the defence forces, at home or abroad, and Government "relief" workers are excluded. (b) The numbers here shown are the total employees on the last pay-roll of each month shown on returns of employers who are taxable. Employees of State, semi-Government, and Local Government authorities are included under "All Employers Furnishing Returns", and in the appropriate industry column when separate returns are supplied, e.g., Railway Commissioners in four of the States. These industry totals are useful only as indicating trend.

EMPLOYMENT IN FACTORIES.

(Number of Employees in Thousands excluding Working Proprietors.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Vic-toria.	Queens-land.	South Aus-tralia.	Western Aus-tralia.	Tas-mania.	Australia.					
							Governmental (Muni-tions, Aircraft and Ships). (a)	Other Fac-tories (includ-ing War Con-trac-tors).	Total Fac-tories.	Index 1928-29=100		
										Unad-justed.	Divided by Index of Total Popu-lation.	
1928-29	..	174.1	149.3	43.4	35.4	19.8	10.0	7.1	424.9	432.0	100	100
1934-35	..	168.3	161.3	40.8	32.2	16.9	10.0	5.2	424.3	429.5	99	93
1935-36	..	186.0	175.3	43.1	37.2	19.9	11.0	6.1	466.4	472.5	109	103
1936-37	..	197.8	183.0	45.9	39.3	21.4	11.8	6.6	492.6	499.2	116	108
1937-38	..	215.6	193.6	49.6	42.6	22.0	12.5	7.4	528.5	535.9	124	115
1938-39	..	219.5	193.9	51.5	42.0	22.1	13.2	10.1	532.1	542.2	126	116
1939-40	..	227.1	204.4	53.0	43.5	21.9	14.0	16.9	547.0	563.9	131	119
1940-41	..	257.0	229.7	54.8	49.5	21.8	15.1	41.5	586.4	627.9	145	131
1941-42(b)	..	285.1	247.4	58.8	64.1	22.1	17.0	79.8	614.7	694.5	161	144
1941—												
September	..	283.9	247.2	61.0	59.1	22.1	16.2	64.9	624.6	689.5	160	143
December(b)	..	285.5	246.4	54.0	62.7	21.9	16.4	74.6	612.3	686.9	159	142
1942—												
March	..	288.5	249.5	58.6	68.3	21.9	17.7	90.8	613.7	704.5	163	144
June	..	287.6	246.0	60.3	70.6	21.8	17.6	103.8	600.1	703.9	163	144
September	..	290.9	245.6	60.2	70.2	22.6	17.3	113.1	593.7	706.8	164	145
December	..	295.0	248.4	56.4	69.6	23.5	17.7	121.0	589.6	710.6	165	146

(a) Includes Government establishments, annexes, and certain private firms engaged in aircraft and ship-building, but excludes most private factories engaged on war contracts. (b) Monthly figures prior to 1941-42 are final, but from July, 1941, they are estimates, subject to revision.

EMPLOYMENT IN RETAIL STORES.

PAY-ROLL TAX.—Employees on the last pay-roll of each month shown on returns of taxable employers whose principal activity was retail trade.

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (Six States).	
							Index.	Number.
MALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.								
Employees—July, 1941	31,868	23,782	10,701	7,278	4,746	2,529	..	80,904
1941—July	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	80,904
December	1,002	989	1006	976	957	957	992	80,280
1942—March .. .	895	872	904	876	840	875	884	71,524
June	802	778	842	818	752	812	799	64,643
September .. .	754	736	796	786	721	786	756	61,187
December .. .	773	736	776	783	726	792	761	61,587
FEMALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.								
Employees—July, 1941	31,840	22,088	8,533	7,184	4,832	2,067	..	76,544
1941—July	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	76,544
December	1104	1120	1147	1095	1097	1131	1113	85,194
1942—March .. .	1038	1045	1001	1091	1082	1074	1045	79,974
June	1026	1014	1005	1036	1060	1042	1024	78,344
September .. .	993	964	1008	1004	1030	1038	991	75,837
December .. .	1032	975	1094	1019	1043	1057	1022	78,266

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work).

Period.	Num-ber.	Estab-lish-ments In-volved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti-mated Loss in Wages. £
			Di-rectly.	Indi-rectly.	Total.	New Dis-putes.	Old Dis-putes.	Total.	

NEW SOUTH WALES.									
Year—1941 ..	513	773	213,440	6,671	220,111	717,949	60,130	778,079	809,879
1941—Sept. Qtr.	146	359	109,845	3,632	113,477	421,229	8,581	429,810	428,955
Dec. "	149	151	37,355	860	38,215	116,983	40,381	157,364	184,672
1942—March "	112	113	27,014	1,011	28,025	45,949	5,070	51,019	64,437
June "	168	186	46,645	939	47,584	112,928	..	112,928	129,477
Sept. "	119	119	34,171	394	34,565	68,315	10,241	78,556	105,485

VICTORIA.									
Year—1941 ..	22	595	19,806	311	20,117	139,167	..	139,167	121,193
1941—Sept. Qtr.	4	72	13,356	..	13,356	103,336	..	103,336	86,725
Dec. "	5	57	2,236	11	2,247	6,747	..	6,747	8,001
1942—March "	5	5	484	..	484	3,046	..	3,046	3,493
June "	4	6	1,603	..	1,603	13,673	..	13,673	8,948
Sept. "	4	4	540	140	680	4,940	..	4,940	4,943

QUEENSLAND.									
Year—1941 ..	17	113	3,392	280	3,672	47,826	..	47,826	48,574
1941—Sept. Qtr.	7	98	1,145	184	1,329	17,590	..	17,590	16,511
Dec. "	4	5	303	28	336	638	..	638	430
1942—March "	2	2	133	..	133	995	..	995	715
June "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sept. "	3	3	203	52	260	1,620	..	1,620	1,322

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.									
Year—1941 ..	11	51	3,704	..	3,704	16,736	920	17,656	18,700
1941—Sept. Qtr.	4	4	680	..	680	6,417	..	6,417	8,017
Dec. "	2	8	990	..	990	4,090	920	5,010	5,613
1942—March "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
June "	6	45	1,685	..	1,685	5,721	..	5,721	5,860
Sept. "	2	2	847	..	847	593	..	593	601

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.									
Year—1941 ..	3	7	303	..	303	846	..	846	931
1941—Sept. Qtr.	1	1	30	..	30	540	..	540	548
Dec. "	2	6	273	..	273	306	..	306	383
1942—March "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
June "	3	3	991	12	1,003	5,441	..	5,441	5,892
Sept. "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

TASMANIA.									
Year—1941 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1941—Sept. Qtr.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dec. "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1942—March "	1	1	34	..	34	34	..	34	29
June "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sept. "	1	1	17	..	17	17	..	17	16

AUSTRALIA.									
Year—1941 (a)	567	1,540	240,845	7,262	248,107	923,124	61,050	984,174	1,000,102
1941—Sept. Qtr.	162	534	125,056	3,816	128,872	549,112	8,581	557,693	540,756
Dec. (a) "	163	228	41,362	899	42,261	129,304	41,301	170,665	190,924
1942—March (b),	121	122	27,815	1,011	28,826	50,824	5,070	55,394	69,024
June "	181	240	50,924	951	51,875	137,763	..	137,763	150,177
Sept. "	129	129	35,783	586	36,369	75,490	10,241	85,731	112,367

(a) Including one dispute in the Northern Territory—200 workpeople; working days lost, 600; estimated loss in wages, £325. (b) Including one dispute in the Northern Territory—150 workpeople; working days lost, 300; estimated loss in wages, £350.

**Wages.—Adult Males—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and
Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1942.**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c.	Weekly Wage	120/0	115/0	112/6	112/5	111/9	110/3	115/3
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/8½	2/7½	2/6½	2/6½	2/6½	2/6	2/7½
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	118/2	115/6	114/11	111/11	119/9	115/7	116/3
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/8½	2/7½	2/7½	2/6½	2/8½	2/7½	2/7½
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	115/4	111/3	107/6	107/1	110/2	104/7	111/5
	Working Hours	44.00	44.59	43.36	44.29	44.00	44.68	44.09
	Hourly Wage	2/7½	2/6	2/5½	2/5	2/6	2/4	2/6½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	112/0	111/8	116/10	116/11	113/4	109/6	112/8
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/6½	2/6½	2/7½	2/8	2/7	2/5½	2/6½
V. Books, Printing, &c.	Weekly Wage	128/10	119/11	119/9	122/1	139/5	123/6	124/6
	Working Hours	43.38	43.39	43.20	43.68	42.72	43.35	43.35
	Hourly Wage	2/11½	2/9½	2/9½	2/9½	3/3½	2/10½	2/10½
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	116/0	112/3	108/11	110/5	115/9	110/5	113/5
	Working Hours	43.96	43.81	43.97	44.25	44.00	43.95	43.94
	Hourly Wage	2/7½	2/6½	2/5½	2/6	2/7½	2/6½	2/7
VII. Building	Weekly Wage	128/3	128/8	115/2	113/10	120/11	119/0	124/9
	Working Hours	43.66	44.00	40.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.42
	Hourly Wage	2/11½	2/11	2/10½	2/7	2/9	2/8½	2/10½
VIII. Mining (c)	Weekly Wage	123/5	114/8	124/10	87/0	132/7b	111/5	121/11
	Working Hours	41.94	41.52	41.87	43.79	40.54	41.69	41.67
	Hourly Wage	2/11½	2/9½	2/11½	1/11½	3/3½	2/8	2/11
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	118/3	118/7	112/2	112/6	112/10	108/11	116/3
	Working Hours	43.81	43.85	44.00	43.94	43.76	44.00	43.86
	Hourly Wage	2/8½	2/8½	2/6½	2/6½	2/7	2/5½	2/7½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	110/6	107/4	103/3	103/9	111/4	102/9	107/10
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/6½	2/5½	2/4½	2/4½	2/6½	2/4	2/5½
XI. Shipping, &c.	Weekly Wage d	118/4	117/5	116/4	117/7	117/0	117/10	117/8
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage e	104/6	104/10	102/6	99/0	105/8	101/11	103/7
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage e	107/0	107/4	98/1	95/8	102/1	99/0	104/5
	Working Hours	44.00	44.33	44.00	44.20	44.00	44.00	44.11
	Hourly Wage e	2/5½	2/5	2/2½	2/2	2/3½	2/3	2/4½
XIV. Miscellaneous	Weekly Wage	110/0	110/7	103/5	101/10	106/7	102/10	108/2
	Working Hours	44.00	44.79	44.00	44.65	44.00	43.93	44.30
	Hourly Wage	2/6	2/5½	2/4½	2/3½	2/5	2/4	2/5½
All Groups (a)	Weekly Wage	114/0	112/6	108/6	105/8	114/9	106/9	111/10
All Groups except XI. and XII.(a)	Weekly Wage	116/2	113/11	110/4	106/9	116/6	108/3	113/9
	Working Hours	43.68	44.11	43.32	44.26	43.11	43.55	43.76
	Hourly Wage	2/8	2/7	2/6½	2/5	2/8½	2/5½	2/7½

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Excluding District allowances in the gold-mining industry.

(c) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.

(d) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied.

(e) Including the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

Wages.—Adult Females—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1942.

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	57/0	59/5	52/0	51/0	51/3	61/0	57/5
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/3½	1/4½	1/2½	1/2	1/2	1/4½	1/3½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	60/9	60/10	63/7	63/7	58/11	61/4	61/3
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/4½	1/5½	1/5½	1/4	1/4½	1/4½
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	59/4	66/0	57/8	57/1	..	56/9	62/3
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	..	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/6	1/3½	1/3½	..	1/3½	1/5
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage <i>b</i>	60/1	66/0	60/7	50/4	66/7	67/3	61/8
	Working Hours	43.38	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.78
	Hourly Wage <i>b</i>	1/4½	1/6	1/4½	1/1½	1/6½	1/6½	1/5
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c.	Weekly Wage	65/11	61/9	65/6	53/0	..	..	63/0
	Working Hours	44.00	45.00	44.00	44.00	..	..	44.36
	Hourly Wage	1/6	1/4½	1/5½	1/2½	..	..	1/5
All Groups (a)	Weekly Wage	61/7	62/2	62/8	57/7	62/7	59/10	61/7
	Working Hours	43.88	44.19	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.03
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/4½	1/5	1/3½	1/5	1/4½	1/4½

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Including the estimated value of board and lodging where supplied.

Wages.—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 1914 to 30th September, 1942.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.							
31st December, 1914	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
" " 1937	92 1	88 1	92 8	85 10	93 1	87 0	90 4
" " 1938	95 0	91 2	95 10	87 1	99 1	88 5	93 5
" " 1939	96 7	94 0	97 5	88 11	100 6	89 5	95 3
" " 1940	99 7	97 0	97 9	92 11	104 0	92 7	98 1
" " 1941	105 4	104 5	101 9	100 3	110 2	99 3	104 3
31st March, 1942	109 7	106 11	103 8	102 1	110 10	102 6	107 2
30th June, 1942	111 3	109 4	106 2	103 5	110 11	104 1	109 0
30th September, 1942	114 0	112 6	108 6	105 8	114 9	106 9	111 10

ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—51s. 3d. (a) IN 1911 = 1,000.)

31st December, 1914	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
" " 1937	1,797	1,719	1,808	1,674	1,816	1,697	1,768
" " 1938	1,854	1,780	1,870	1,700	1,933	1,725	1,823
" " 1939	1,885	1,825	1,900	1,735	1,962	1,745	1,858
" " 1940	1,943	1,892	1,908	1,812	2,029	1,807	1,913
" " 1941	2,056	2,037	1,985	1,957	2,149	1,937	2,034
31st March, 1942	2,138	2,086	2,023	1,992	2,162	2,001	2,091
30th June, 1942	2,171	2,133	2,072	2,018	2,164	2,031	2,127
30th September, 1942	2,224	2,194	2,117	2,061	2,239	2,084	2,182

ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.

31st December, 1914	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
" " 1937	50 2	49 2	51 4	46 10	51 0	48 6	49 8
" " 1938	51 10	50 7	53 6	47 9	54 4	49 8	51 4
" " 1939	53 3	51 9	55 2	49 7	55 8	50 8	52 8
" " 1940	54 9	53 5	56 0	52 1	57 6	53 1	54 3
" " 1941	57 11	58 4	59 6	55 5	60 4	56 7	58 2
31st March, 1942	59 7	59 10	60 8	56 8	60 4	57 11	59 2
30th June, 1942	60 10	61 2	62 3	57 5	60 4	58 10	60 10
30th September, 1942	61 7	62 2	62 8	57 7	62 7	59 10	61 7

ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (a) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1,000.)

31st December, 1914	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
" " 1937	1,848	1,810	1,889	1,724	1,877	1,785	1,825
" " 1938	1,907	1,862	1,969	1,758	2,000	1,828	1,887
" " 1939	1,960	1,906	2,031	1,826	2,049	1,866	1,938
" " 1940	2,016	1,966	2,060	1,916	2,116	1,954	1,996
" " 1941	2,133	2,148	2,191	2,038	2,220	2,082	2,141
31st March, 1942	2,194	2,201	2,233	2,085	2,220	2,130	2,178
30th June, 1942	2,238	2,252	2,290	2,114	2,220	2,166	2,238
30th September, 1942	2,266	2,287	2,305	2,121	2,303	2,202	2,268

(a) Weighted average for Australia.

Basic Weekly Wage Rates by State Industrial Tribunals.

State.	Basic Wage.		Date of Operation.	Family Unit (for Male Rate).
	Males.	Females.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
New South Wales ..	(a) 4 18 0	(a) 2 13 0	1.2.43	(b)
Victoria(c) ..	(4 18 0)	(2 13 0)	(1.2.43)	(c)
Queensland ..	(d) 4 14 0	2 11 6	21.10.42	Man, wife and three children
South Australia ..	4 14 0	2 6 2	15.10.42	" " " " "
Western Australia(e)	4 18 9	2 13 4	1.3.43	Man, wife and two children
Tasmania(c) ..	(4 14 0)	(2 11 0)	(1.2.43)	(c)

(a) Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla-Wollongong; Broken Hill—Males, £5 0s. 0d.; Females, £2 14s. 0d.; Elsewhere—Males, £4 15s. 0d.; Females, £2 11s. 6d. (b) Commonwealth Basic Wage operative—no defined family unit. (c) None declared, but rates shown are those of Commonwealth Court which are followed to a large extent. No defined family unit. (d) South-Eastern Division. Allowances are added for other Divisions:—Northern, 10s.; North-Western, 17s. 4d.; Mackay, 5s. 6d.; South-Western, 7s. 4d. Half of these allowances are granted to females. (e) Metropolitan Area. Basic wage from 23.7.41 for Gold-fields Areas and other portions of State exclusive of the S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 5s. 7d.; Females, £2 17s. 0d.; and from 1.11.42 for Agricultural Areas and S.W. Land Division—Males, £4 17s. 1d.; Females, £2 12s. 5d.

Basic Weekly Wage Rates fixed by Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City.(a)

Capital.	1st February, 1942.	1st May, 1942.	1st August, 1942.	1st November, 1942.	1st February, 1943.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Sydney	91 0	93 0	95 0	97 0	98 0
Melbourne	89 0	92 0	94 0	97 0	98 0
Brisbane	86 0	88 0	89 0	91 0	91 0
Adelaide	86 0	88 0	91 0	93 0	93 0
Perth	86 0	87 0	89 0	91 0	92 0
Hobart	87 0	88 0	91 0	92 0	94 0
Weighted Average— Six Capitals ..	88 0	90 0	93 0	95 0	96 0

NOTE.—Female rate generally 54 per cent. of male rate.

(a) "Court" Series Index-numbers—Commonwealth Court's Judgment of 23rd June, 1937. Includes "prosperity loadings" granted by Judgment. No defined family unit.

Awards of Industrial Courts and Wages Board Determinations Made and Industrial Agreements Filed.

State.	1937.		1938.		1939.		1940.		1941.	
	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.
New South Wales ..	63	42	64	38	64	17	70	22	65	49
Victoria	121	..	99	..	173	..	170	..	262	..
Queensland	46	42	38	38	50	25	34	45	45	14
South Australia ..	42	16	6	4	18	7	53	7	167	8
Western Australia ..	35	32	28	31	20	25	31	21	22	19
Tasmania	43	..	26	..	18	..	18	..	28	..
Commonwealth Court ..	38	11	31	13	31	21	25	13	7	3
Commonwealth Public Ser- vice Arbitrator ..	3	..	3	..	1	..	1	..	5	..
Total	391	143	295	124	375	95	402	108	601	93

Section VII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Note.—The index-numbers on this and the next three pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capitals are made equal to 1,000. In the combined tables the rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only is taken into account.

The "B" Series represents the Food and Housing portion of the "All Items" ("C" Series) Index published on page 59.

Retail Price Index-Numbers.(a)—Capital Cities.

("B" Series.)

(Base in each Section: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1911.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1941.	1942.				
							Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	

GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

Sydney	553	904	936	952	962	1,040	969	1,005	1,034	1,061	1,060
Melbourne	523	884	942	947	943	1,042	949	989	1,036	1,074	1,069
Brisbane	569	838	864	889	911	972	920	969	958	985	977
Adelaide	570	861	897	900	905	1,012	915	956	1,014	1,049	1,027
Perth	753	899	938	949	981	1,029	982	992	1,028	1,049	1,048
Hobart	592	880	923	944	970	1,047	986	1,009	1,036	1,059	1,082
Weighted Average ..	559	886	927	939	947	1,031	954	991	1,025	1,055	1,051

GROUP IV.—HOUSING (b)—4 AND 5 ROOMS.

Sydney	701	1,004	1,035	1,042	1,043	1,043	1,044	1,045	1,043	1,042	1,042
Melbourne	569	935	955	969	975	975	975	975	975	974	974
Brisbane	373	841	854	857	860	862	860	861	862	862	862
Adelaide	706	868	888	892	893	893	893	892	893	893	893
Perth	524	872	881	882	883	885	884	884	885	885	885
Hobart	452	913	925	933	933	933	933	933	933	932	932
Weighted Average ..	612	942	965	973	976	976	976	977	976	976	976

ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS).

Sydney	606	941	972	985	992	1,039	996	1,018	1,035	1,051	1,051
Melbourne	539	902	945	953	953	1,014	957	982	1,010	1,032	1,030
Brisbane	500	838	858	875	889	927	895	925	918	935	930
Adelaide	618	862	891	895	899	963	904	929	964	986	973
Perth	672	887	914	921	941	971	942	948	970	982	982
Hobart	542	891	922	938	953	1,000	963	977	994	1,007	1,021
Weighted Average ..	578	906	939	950	956	1,007	960	983	1,003	1,022	1,019

(a) As the price index-number increases, the purchasing power of money diminishes. (b) See note (a) on page 59.

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, and Housing (4 and 5 rooms).
("B" Series.)

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1000.)

State and Town.	1911.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1941.	1942.			
							Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney	606	941	972	985	992	1,039	996	1,018	1,035	1,051	1,051
Newcastle	898	934	950	959	1,005	963	987	1,007	1,014	1,013
Broken Hill	948	970	953	991	1,052	990	1,020	1,060	1,064	1,062
Goulburn	908	942	950	957	1,009	962	990	1,008	1,017	1,021
Bathurst	867	900	908	910	957	911	937	959	966	965
Weighted Average(a)	..	937	969	980	988	1,036	992	1,015	1,033	1,047	1,047
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne	539	902	945	953	953	1,014	957	982	1,010	1,032	1,030
Ballarat	808	849	843	841	894	845	867	887	913	909
Bendigo	817	851	864	868	920	878	903	916	931	929
Geelong	872	917	915	912	956	915	933	952	971	968
Warrnambool	898	940	944	941	984	944	966	976	992	1,000
Weighted Average(a)	..	895	938	946	946	1,005	949	974	1,001	1,023	1,021
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane	500	838	858	875	889	927	895	925	918	935	930
Toowoomba	806	830	849	857	913	865	909	912	919	910
Rockhampton	825	843	854	863	901	866	907	900	898	900
Townsville	900	920	925	933	974	937	963	977	979	978
Bundaberg	781	804	817	835	878	842	874	878	879	880
Weighted Average(a)	..	837	858	873	886	926	892	923	919	932	928
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide	618	862	891	895	899	963	904	929	964	986	973
Kadina, &c.	702	743	739	738	789	744	759	787	807	803
Port Pirie	838	882	877	889	943	901	920	938	958	955
Mount Gambier	801	838	828	832	879	835	856	872	891	898
Peterborough	836	890	895	893	936	902	912	934	951	948
Weighted Average(a)	..	855	885	888	892	955	898	922	956	977	965
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c.	672	887	914	921	941	971	942	948	970	982	982
Kalgoorlie, &c.	1,152	1,178	1,184	1,211	1,160	1,200	1,175	1,170	1,157	1,138
Northam	911	936	946	980	1,005	984	991	1,009	1,010	1,011
Bunbury	945	979	979	996	1,011	1,001	1,002	1,013	1,015	1,014
Geraldton	974	990	995	1,024	1,048	1,030	1,035	1,048	1,057	1,052
Weighted Average(a)	..	909	936	943	964	988	964	968	988	998	996
TASMANIA—											
Hobart	542	891	922	938	953	1,000	963	977	994	1,007	1,021
Launceston	867	887	901	913	948	917	930	947	951	962
Burnie	881	898	914	937	973	940	948	964	986	993
Devonport	846	865	882	898	928	904	910	926	934	943
Queenstown	900	933	942	947	970	942	951	963	980	987
Weighted Average(a)	..	882	908	923	937	978	945	957	974	984	997
Weighted Average for 30 towns	902	935	945	952	1,001	956	978	998	1,015	1,013
Weighted Average 6 Capital Cities	578	906	939	950	956	1,007	960	983	1,003	1,022	1,019
Canberra (A.C.T.) (b) (c)	..	1,043	1,026	1,028	1,028	1,078	1,029	1,055	1,070	1,093	1,095
Charters Towers (Q.) (c)	..	751	815	827	835	887	844	873	889	894	890
Warwick (Q.) (c)	..	732	783	799	817	856	819	849	855	863	857

(a) Weighted Average for the five towns. (b) New series from 1938. The drop in 1938 was due to revision of sample of houses used for the calculation of average rentals in order to make it more comparable with that of the capital cities and other large towns throughout Australia. To secure comparison with "B" Series index-numbers for Canberra for periods prior to the September quarter 1938, the new series index-numbers should be multiplied by 1.090. (c) Not included in weighted averages above.

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—COST OF FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1000.)

State and Town.	1914.	1941.				1942.			Per-centage in-crease from July, 1914 to Dec. 1942.
	July.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		
NEW SOUTH WALES—									
Sydney	645	968	965	973	1,064	1,063	1,053	63.3	
Newcastle	642	1,006	1,004	1,009	1,093	1,092	1,078	67.9	
Broken Hill	821	1,122	1,135	1,148	1,275	1,271	1,247	51.9	
Goulburn	661	1,009	1,015	1,029	1,118	1,115	1,110	67.9	
Bathurst	613	949	951	968	1,047	1,049	1,044	70.3	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	652	974	972	980	1,071	1,070	1,059	62.4	
VICTORIA—									
Melbourne	619	949	944	953	1,071	1,070	1,067	72.4	
Ballarat	617	934	935	939	1,045	1,041	1,038	68.2	
Bendigo	619	969	969	973	1,060	1,055	1,044	68.7	
Geelong	609	933	930	937	1,024	1,023	1,016	66.8	
Warrnambool	608	948	949	951	1,042	1,048	1,050	72.7	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	618	948	944	952	1,068	1,067	1,063	72.0	
QUEENSLAND—									
Brisbane	591	912	920	930	968	974	987	67.0	
Toowoomba	582	856	879	892	951	943	945	62.4	
Rockhampton	646	930	935	940	988	990	992	53.6	
Townsville .. .. .	..	974	985	1,002	1,051	1,051	1,063	..
Bundaberg .. .. .	..	956	970	975	1,016	1,018	1,032	..
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	605	915	924	934	975	980	991	63.8	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—									
Adelaide	699	905	912	927	1,039	1,029	1,014	45.1	
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	688	969	978	990	1,081	1,077	1,068	55.2	
Port Pirie	722	1,012	1,023	1,039	1,118	1,177	1,108	53.5	
Mount Gambier	595	905	912	920	1,019	1,020	1,016	70.8	
Peterborough	749	973	1,006	1,005	1,079	1,079	1,072	43.1	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	697	911	918	933	1,043	1,034	1,020	46.3	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—									
Perth and Fremantle	749	990	981	974	1,046	1,048	1,050	40.2	
Kalgoorlie and Boulder	931	1,141	1,143	1,138	1,192	1,189	1,188	27.6	
Northam .. .. .	..	1,049	1,044	1,040	1,096	1,084	1,080	..
Bunbury	793	1,005	1,010	1,000	1,041	1,044	1,047	..	
Geraldton	808	1,010	1,009	1,007	1,073	1,042	1,041	32.0	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	790	1,003	995	989	1,058	1,059	1,060	34.2	
TASMANIA—									
Hobart	678	985	984	990	1,087	1,079	1,081	59.4	
Launceston	640	954	952	966	1,035	1,036	1,026	60.3	
Burnie .. .. .	..	1,010	999	1,002	1,090	1,086	1,086	..
Devonport .. .. .	..	990	988	1,000	1,054	1,058	1,064	..
Queenstown	735	1,022	1,029	1,035	1,106	1,104	1,112	51.3	
Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..	672	978	977	985	1,070	1,065	1,064	58.3	
Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..	651	956	955	963	1,056	1,055	1,049	61.1	
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities ..	645	952	950	958	1,054	1,053	1,047	62.3	
(a) Lithgow (N.) .. .. .	..	997	997	1,014	1,087	1,080	1,069	..
(a) Yallourn (V.) .. .. .	..	982	988	995	1,065	1,056	1,054	..
(a) Charters Towers (Q.)	696	963	981	993	1,041	1,056	1,062	52.6	
(a) Warwick (Q.)	605	887	911	907	968	955	948	55.9	
(a) Port Augusta (S.A.) .. .. .	..	1,030	1,049	1,050	1,099	1,095	1,093	..
(a) Rosebery (T.) .. .. .	..	1,083	1,088	1,092	1,177	1,173	1,179	..
(a) Canberra (A.C.T.) .. .. .	..	1,057	1,060	1,069	1,189	1,162	1,159	..

(a) Not included in weighted averages above.

THE "ALL ITEMS" INDEX.

("C" Series.)

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 rooms) (a), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1000.)

State and Town.	1937.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1941.	1942.			
							Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney ..	889	913	936	974	1,028	1,107	1,048	1,070	1,096	1,122	1,138
Newcastle ..	849	877	901	945	997	1,069	1,013	1,037	1,060	1,079	1,098
Broken Hill ..	893	940	955	981	1,049	1,132	1,065	1,092	1,132	1,144	1,159
Goulburn ..	867	893	916	949	1,005	1,087	1,023	1,048	1,078	1,103	1,118
Bathurst ..	842	860	883	923	974	1,050	990	1,017	1,043	1,060	1,080
Weighted Average(b)	886	911	933	972	1,026	1,104	1,045	1,068	1,094	1,118	1,135
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne ..	868	896	924	964	1,008	1,100	1,028	1,056	1,089	1,118	1,136
Ballarat ..	839	850	874	906	950	1,037	978	996	1,026	1,054	1,070
Bendigo ..	840	854	875	920	963	1,054	985	1,017	1,046	1,069	1,082
Geelong ..	855	884	911	941	984	1,065	1,002	1,025	1,052	1,083	1,098
Warrnambool ..	856	892	918	954	998	1,078	1,015	1,038	1,066	1,093	1,116
Weighted Average(b)	866	893	920	960	1,004	1,095	1,024	1,052	1,085	1,113	1,130
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane ..	837	852	870	908	963	1,033	985	1,011	1,020	1,044	1,055
Toowoomba ..	840	843	858	898	951	1,033	972	1,008	1,026	1,043	1,056
Rockhampton ..	840	853	867	905	959	1,032	978	1,017	1,023	1,035	1,052
Townsville ..	883	902	918	950	1,004	1,075	1,025	1,050	1,069	1,081	1,098
Bundaberg ..	809	831	847	879	938	1,015	960	993	1,007	1,021	1,038
Weighted Average(b)	840	854	871	909	964	1,035	985	1,013	1,023	1,045	1,057
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide ..	859	888	906	936	988	1,075	1,010	1,034	1,071	1,093	1,100
Kadina, &c. ..	769	786	810	833	882	962	909	928	956	977	988
Port Pirie ..	844	868	896	919	976	1,057	1,000	1,021	1,050	1,072	1,086
Mount Gambier ..	830	849	872	894	946	1,024	965	987	1,013	1,034	1,063
Peterborough ..	851	868	897	924	974	1,053	1,000	1,013	1,048	1,067	1,082
Weighted Average(b)	855	883	902	931	983	1,069	1,006	1,029	1,065	1,087	1,095
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c. ..	869	882	901	932	993	1,061	1,012	1,021	1,054	1,077	1,090
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	1,030	1,048	1,066	1,099	1,165	1,175	1,175	1,167	1,174	1,178	1,182
Northam ..	890	900	915	947	1,017	1,079	1,037	1,049	1,074	1,089	1,103
Bunbury ..	897	914	936	962	1,018	1,065	1,034	1,041	1,057	1,074	1,088
Geraldton ..	970	957	965	990	1,055	1,114	1,075	1,086	1,106	1,126	1,138
Weighted Average(b)	884	897	915	946	1,008	1,070	1,026	1,034	1,064	1,085	1,097
TASMANIA—											
Hobart ..	875	887	908	945	1,001	1,078	1,023	1,042	1,068	1,089	1,113
Launceston ..	856	872	888	926	974	1,040	987	1,005	1,031	1,050	1,072
Burnie ..	854	865	879	917	971	1,035	983	998	1,024	1,048	1,068
Devonport ..	833	848	861	896	951	1,012	967	979	1,005	1,019	1,044
Queenstown ..	857	875	903	936	987	1,045	999	1,014	1,032	1,057	1,077
Weighted Average(b)	866	879	898	936	989	1,060	1,007	1,025	1,051	1,071	1,094
Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..	871	894	917	954	1,006	1,087	1,026	1,050	1,077	1,102	1,117
Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities ..	873	897	920	957	1,008	1,091	1,029	1,053	1,081	1,106	1,122
Charters Towers (Q.)(c)	819	839	883	920	971	1,048	992	1,018	1,042	1,057	1,073
Warwick (Q.)(c)	779	800	834	867	926	1,007	943	981	1,000	1,017	1,029
Port Augusta (S.A.)(c)	845	863	883	915	980	1,052	1,001	1,020	1,045	1,065	1,079
Canberra (c)	..	..	956	988	1,040	1,121	1,057	1,080	1,109	1,137	1,158

(a) Owing to the revisions resulting from the 1936 conference of Statisticians, certain slight breaks of continuity appear after the June, 1936, quarter in the group index-numbers for Rent for certain towns. The revision of the whole system has been so arranged, however, that this break does not extend to the group index-numbers for the Six Capital Cities, or to the index-numbers for all groups combined for individual towns.

(c) Not included in weighted averages above.

(b) Five Towns

**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1942 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1942.**

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RETAIL PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.84	5.84	5.84	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.79	4.79	4.79	5.29	5.29	5.29	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.60	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	8.15	8.15	8.15	8.36	8.36	8.36	9.07	9.07	9.07	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.30	9.20	9.20
Tea ..	lb.	40.00	41.00	41.00	40.93	40.79	40.79	44.00	44.07	42.36	41.00	41.30	41.20	41.00	41.30	41.20
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.36	4.36	4.36	4.88	4.88	4.88	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian) ..	"	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	4.50	4.57	4.25	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
Sago(a) ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	12.05	12.15	12.15	12.14	12.29	12.29	11.50	11.43	11.57	12.60	13.00	13.20	12.70	12.70	13.00
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	6.82	6.97	6.92	7.83	7.92	7.92	9.58	9.58	9.58	8.00	8.00	8.33	8.00	8.00	8.00
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.58	3.58	3.58	3.75	3.75	3.75	4.50	4.50	4.57	3.90	3.90	3.90	4.15	4.15	4.15
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.71	11.71	11.71	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.36	12.21	12.21	11.63	11.63	11.63	12.00	12.00	12.17
Currants ..	"	10.35	10.28	10.25	10.38	10.50	10.60	10.86	10.93	11.14	10.75	10.88	10.63	9.70	9.70	9.80
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	13.13	13.13	13.13	13.08	13.08	13.60	15.40	15.40	15.40	13.50	13.63	13.67	13.90	13.90	13.90
Pears, canned ..	"	13.75	13.75	13.75	14.08	14.08	14.50	15.40	15.40	15.40	14.75	14.75	14.75	14.63	14.63	14.63
Salmon, in tins(a) ..	lb.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	16.64	21.00	16.93	13.89	21.00	16.43	28.25	28.25	21.07	20.40	21.00	19.30	19.17	21.00	18.87
Onions, brown ..	lb.	9.56	3.63	2.69	6.25	3.83	2.50	6.33	4.50	3.50	6.50	4.00	3.00	6.75	3.83	3.33
Soap ..	"	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.94	6.94	6.94	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.09	7.09	7.09	7.32	7.32	7.32
Kerosene ..	quart	6.10	6.06	6.10	6.42	6.61	6.59	7.46	7.46	7.46	7.25	7.31	7.30	6.88	7.08	7.08
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.50	20.50	20.50	22.64	22.64	22.64	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.70	20.70	20.70
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.25	17.25	17.25	15.79	15.79	15.79	18.07	18.07	18.07	16.60	16.60	16.60	17.20	17.20	17.20
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	20.95	20.95	22.75	21.14	21.00	23.00	23.07	21.07	23.43	21.00	21.00	23.20	21.00	21.00	23.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	20.90	20.80	20.90	21.36	21.36	21.36	21.64	21.64	21.64	21.20	21.20	21.20	19.60	19.60	20.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.10	9.10	9.10	9.29	9.50	9.36	10.43	10.43	10.43	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.38	10.20	10.20
" fresh ..	quart	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.50	12.40	12.50	13.57	13.57	13.57	15.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	10.20	10.20	10.20
" rib ..	"	8.75	8.75	8.80	10.36	10.21	10.21	12.57	12.57	12.57	10.60	10.60	10.60	8.40	8.40	8.40
" steak, rump ..	"	21.40	20.80	21.10	17.71	17.43	17.57	22.00	22.00	22.00	17.40	17.40	17.40	15.00	15.00	15.00
" chuck ..	"	9.00	8.90	8.95	9.57	9.57	9.57	13.14	13.14	13.14	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.40	8.40	8.40
" sausages ..	"	7.75	7.75	7.75	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.20	8.20	8.20	8.00	8.00	8.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	9.70	9.85	9.90	10.71	10.71	10.71	15.00	15.00	15.00	10.60	10.60	10.60	9.80	9.80	9.80
" brisket ..	"	7.50	7.40	7.45	8.86	8.57	8.86	13.00	13.00	13.00	9.40	9.40	9.40	8.40	8.40	8.40
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.70	7.70	7.70	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.29	9.29	9.29	9.80	9.80	9.80	8.40	8.40	8.40
" forequarter ..	"	4.45	4.35	4.30	5.29	5.29	5.21	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.40	6.40	6.40	5.00	5.10	5.20
" loin ..	"	9.75	9.40	9.45	9.79	9.79	9.79	8.43	8.43	8.43	10.20	10.20	10.20	8.40	8.40	8.40
" chops, loin ..	"	10.40	10.45	10.40	9.93	9.93	9.93	11.71	11.71	11.86	10.80	10.80	10.80	8.80	9.00	8.80
" leg ..	"	9.40	9.40	9.40	10.36	10.36	10.36	11.57	11.57	11.57	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.60	8.60	8.60
Pork, leg ..	"	17.40	17.90	18.70	18.57	18.57	19.00	14.14	14.14	14.14	14.80	14.80	14.80	14.40	14.40	14.40
" loin ..	"	18.20	18.10	19.10	18.43	18.43	18.86	14.00	14.00	14.00	15.20	15.60	15.20	14.40	14.40	14.40
" chops ..	"	18.20	18.40	19.60	18.57	18.57	19.00	15.86	15.86	15.57	15.40	15.80	15.80	14.40	15.00	15.00
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	281.04	..	..	243.23	..	..	189.30	..	..	221.67	..	..	212.28	..

(a) Prices not available.

**VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1942; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1942.**

Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEORLONG.			WARRENAMBOOL.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.55	5.55	5.75	5.75	5.89	5.86	5.86	5.89	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.30	6.30	6.30
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.43	4.43	4.43	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.60	4.60	4.60
" self-raising ..	"	7.35	7.35	7.35	8.21	8.21	8.21	8.14	8.21	8.29	7.80	7.80	7.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
Tea ..	lb.	40.80	40.95	41.00	40.14	40.79	40.79	43.00	41.36	41.64	40.00	40.60	40.60	42.00	41.20	41.20
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.27	4.27	4.27	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sago (a) ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	10.10	10.15	10.15	10.21	10.36	10.50	10.29	10.36	10.36	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.40	10.60	10.60
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.31	7.33	7.39	7.79	7.83	7.79	7.50	7.50	7.71	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.80
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.33	3.36	3.36	3.75	3.71	3.68	3.86	3.75	3.79	3.45	3.45	3.45	3.80	3.80	3.80
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.65	11.60	11.69	11.57	11.38	11.50	11.83	12.13	12.38	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.10	12.13	12.13
Currants ..	"	9.75	9.75	10.00	9.86	9.86	10.00	9.93	10.00	10.00	9.90	9.90	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Apricots, dried (a)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	12.15	12.39	12.61	11.71	11.71	11.79	12.75	12.75	12.90	11.70	11.75	12.00	12.40	12.20	12.20
Pears, canned ..	"	12.94	13.15	13.39	12.71	12.71	12.79	13.67	13.80	13.80	12.50	12.63	12.75	13.10	13.50	13.10
Salmon, in tins ..	lb.	(a)	(a)	(a)	20.50	20.50	21.25	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	20.90	21.38	21.38
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	17.06	17.27	16.13	16.80	16.80	15.20	18.67	18.67	14.90	17.89	17.38	15.26	16.84	16.84	16.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.50	3.50	3.00	3.67	3.58	3.14	4.00	3.67	2.92	3.70	3.50	3.25	3.40	3.50	3.25
Soap ..	"	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.68	7.59	7.59	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.72	7.72	7.72
Kerosene ..	quart	6.39	6.39	6.42	6.57	6.88	6.91	6.63	7.02	6.75	6.35	6.35	6.35	7.40	7.35	7.35
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.86	20.86	20.86	20.20	20.20	20.20	20.80	20.80	20.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	15.50	15.50	15.44	14.86	14.93	15.07	16.07	16.07	16.07	14.60	14.60	14.80	15.50	15.50	15.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	19.00	20.10	22.20	18.71	19.71	21.86	19.00	20.00	22.00	19.00	20.00	22.00	19.00	19.80	22.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	24.10	24.20	24.10	23.43	23.43	23.57	23.29	23.14	23.14	23.80	23.40	23.40	23.00	23.00	23.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.65	9.65	9.65	9.57	9.64	9.86	10.29	10.29	10.29	9.60	9.60	9.60	10.20	10.20	10.20
" fresh ..	quart	7.35	7.35	7.35	6.80	6.80	6.80	7.14	7.14	7.14	7.00	7.00	7.00	5.50	6.25	6.25
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	13.40	13.30	13.30	13.00	12.71	12.57	11.29	11.14	11.00	11.60	11.40	11.40	11.00	10.80	10.80
" rib ..	"	10.95	10.85	10.85	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.00	9.86	9.71	9.40	9.60	9.40	9.80	9.60	9.60
" steak, rump ..	"	20.40	20.40	20.30	17.57	17.43	17.29	16.00	16.14	16.14	17.20	17.20	17.20	16.20	16.20	16.20
" chuck ..	"	9.75	9.60	9.60	8.71	8.43	8.29	9.00	9.00	8.86	8.60	8.60	8.60	9.00	9.00	9.00
" sausages ..	"	7.35	7.35	7.35	6.57	6.43	6.43	7.14	7.14	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.60	8.00	8.00	8.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	12.00	11.85	11.85	11.14	11.43	11.29	10.14	10.00	10.00	10.90	10.90	10.90	10.60	10.60	10.60
" brisket ..	"	8.75	8.85	8.85	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.71	8.71	8.71	8.00	8.20	8.20	8.40	8.40	8.40
Mutton, leg ..	"	9.20	9.20	9.05	9.07	9.00	8.79	8.57	8.57	8.57	7.70	7.90	7.90	9.00	9.00	9.00
" forequarter ..	"	5.65	5.40	5.35	5.79	5.50	5.29	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.00	4.60	4.40	6.60	6.40	6.40
" loin ..	"	8.50	8.50	8.30	7.14	6.86	6.71	7.21	7.21	7.21	8.30	8.30	8.30	9.00	9.00	9.00
" chops, loin ..	"	10.00	9.90	9.90	8.71	8.43	8.29	9.43	9.29	9.29	9.40	9.40	9.40	10.00	9.80	9.80
" chops, leg ..	"	10.70	10.60	10.50	10.00	10.00	9.86	9.14	9.14	9.14	8.90	8.90	8.90	9.80	9.60	9.60
Pork, leg ..	"	17.15	16.80	16.85	15.00	14.17	15.17	15.25	15.00	15.75	14.40	14.20	14.40	14.60	14.20	14.20
" loin ..	"	17.65	17.65	17.65	15.83	14.83	15.17	15.50	15.25	16.00	15.00	14.80	15.00	14.60	14.20	14.20
" chops ..	"	18.90	18.60	18.60	17.00	16.00	16.17	16.00	15.50	16.25	15.60	15.20	15.40	15.60	15.20	15.20
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	262.73	..	..	178.35	..	..	186.60	..	..	239.96	..	..	234.94	..

(a) Prices not available.

**QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1942; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1942.**

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RETAIL PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	5.80	5.80	5.75	5.85	5.75
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.71	4.71	4.71	5.57	5.57	5.57	5.60	5.60	5.60	4.50	4.50	4.50
" self-raising ..	"	8.23	8.23	8.18	9.21	9.21	9.21	9.57	9.57	9.57	9.30	9.30	9.30	9.60	9.60	9.60
Tea ..	lb.	39.68	40.14	40.50	39.93	40.36	40.71	40.29	40.43	41.00	42.90	41.38	41.30	38.80	38.80	39.40
Sugar ..	"	3.98	3.98	3.98	4.23	4.23	4.23	4.04	4.04	4.04	4.69	4.69	4.69	3.97	3.97	3.97
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sago (a) ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	10.01	10.01	10.09	10.55	10.55	10.55	10.72	10.72	10.82	10.03	10.03	10.58	10.20	10.20	10.20
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.57	7.57	7.64	7.79	7.79	7.79	8.40	8.40	8.40	7.60	7.60	7.60
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.75	3.75	3.75	4.04	3.89	3.96	4.20	4.20	4.13	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.05	4.10	4.10
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.50	11.86	11.95	13.21	13.21	13.21	12.14	12.14	12.14	12.67	12.67	14.33	12.63	12.63	12.63
Currants ..	"	10.83	10.86	10.86	11.14	11.07	11.07	11.14	11.14	11.14	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.10	11.10	11.10
Apricots, dried (a)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	13.50	13.89	13.89	14.58	14.70	14.90	14.29	14.29	14.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.30	14.30	14.30
Pears, canned ..	"	14.15	14.43	14.43	15.00	15.00	15.20	14.79	14.79	14.79	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.00
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	20.20	19.30	18.55	19.50	18.47	17.79	20.33	20.00	20.14	22.50	22.50	24.20	19.00	17.80	17.80
Onions, brown ..	"	2.48	2.56	2.00	2.43	2.50	1.75	3.00	3.17	2.13	3.00	3.33	3.10	2.75	2.88	2.04
Soap ..	"	7.03	6.97	6.97	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.33	7.33	7.38	7.47	7.47	7.47	7.20	7.20	7.20
Kerosene ..	quart	5.66	5.66	5.66	6.52	6.52	6.52	7.66	7.48	7.55	7.48	7.47	7.68	6.69	6.71	6.71
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.00	19.91	19.91	19.93	19.93	19.93	20.14	20.14	20.14	22.00	22.00	21.80	19.80	19.80	19.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.95	14.95	14.95	15.29	15.29	15.29	16.29	16.29	16.21	16.90	16.90	16.90	15.30	15.30	15.30
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	20.27	20.55	23.05	14.00	14.71	17.57	18.43	20.43	22.86	25.80	28.00	29.60	14.40	18.00	20.40
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	17.64	17.95	18.05	16.36	16.64	16.64	18.07	18.29	18.50	16.90	16.88	17.30	17.00	17.00	17.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.41	9.45	9.45	9.64	9.64	9.64	10.29	10.36	10.36	10.20	10.20	10.20	9.80	9.80	9.80
" fresh ..	quart	6.95	6.95	6.95	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.38	6.86	6.86	8.40	8.60	8.80	7.00	7.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	10.70	11.00	11.85	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.29	9.29	9.29	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.60	10.60	10.60
" rib ..	"	6.05	6.25	6.90	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.30	6.30	6.40	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.30	8.30	8.30
" steak, rump ..	"	15.05	15.50	16.35	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.14	12.14	12.14	13.00	13.10	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
" chuck ..	"	6.80	7.15	7.70	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.40	6.40	6.40	8.30	8.30	8.30
" sausages ..	"	7.28	7.21	7.71	7.86	7.86	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.30	8.30	8.30
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	9.25	9.65	10.55	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.30	9.30	9.30
" brisket ..	"	7.25	7.45	7.85	7.79	7.93	7.93	7.14	7.14	7.14	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.40	8.40	8.40
Mutton, leg ..	"	7.75	7.85	7.85	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.43	8.43	8.43	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" forequarter ..	"	4.75	4.70	4.75	4.50	4.50	4.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
" loin ..	"	6.75	6.90	6.95	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.43	8.43	8.43	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" chops, loin ..	"	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" leg ..	"	7.56	7.50	7.61	7.14	7.14	7.14	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.40	8.40	8.80	10.00	10.00	10.00
Pork, leg ..	"	14.67	15.61	16.06	11.86	13.00	14.14	14.57	14.57	14.71	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.80	13.80	14.80
" loin ..	"	14.83	15.78	16.06	11.43	12.43	13.43	14.57	14.57	14.71	11.00	11.00	11.00	13.80	13.80	14.80
" chops ..	"	15.00	15.89	16.33	11.71	12.71	13.71	14.86	14.86	15.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	14.40	14.40	15.80
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	232.47	..	..	216.22	..	..	206.65	..	..	217.65	..	..	167.01	..

(a) Prices not available.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1942; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1942.

RETAIL PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PHILL.			MT. GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.93	4.93	4.93	5.07	5.07	5.07	4.90	5.10	5.10	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.15	7.15	7.20	8.71	8.71	8.71	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.40	9.40	9.40	8.50	8.63	8.63
Tea ..	lb.	41.05	40.65	40.70	42.21	41.92	41.79	42.07	42.07	41.50	42.20	41.90	41.90	42.50	42.25	42.25
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.19	4.19	4.19	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian) (a)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jago (a) ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	10.20	10.20	10.55	11.08	11.17	11.29	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.50	11.50	11.60	11.13	11.13	11.50
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	6.89	6.83	6.83	8.10	8.38	8.38	8.67	8.60	8.60	8.13	8.20	8.20	8.67	8.67	8.50
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.90	3.90	3.90	4.21	4.13	4.13	3.81	3.88	3.81	4.00	4.00	4.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.10	11.10	11.07	11.86	11.86	11.93	12.55	12.55	12.69	12.60	12.50	12.60	12.50	12.75	12.75
Currants ..	"	9.44	9.44	9.50	10.29	10.29	10.36	10.57	10.57	10.57	10.30	10.30	10.40	10.63	10.75	10.75
Apricots, dried (a)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	13.07	13.33	13.42	14.33	14.33	14.33	15.83	15.83	15.83	13.00	13.00	13.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Pears, canned ..	"	13.31	13.31	13.30	14.00	14.00	14.33	15.50	15.50	15.50	13.60	14.00	14.00	14.67	14.67	14.67
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	21.00	21.00	16.33	24.00	24.00	22.00	24.00	24.00	21.14	21.75	21.75	19.67	23.50	23.50	22.50
Onions, brown ..	lb.	4.33	4.50	3.50	6.00	5.00	4.00	4.70	4.50	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.50	3.75
Soap ..	"	7.36	7.36	7.36	7.71	7.71	7.76	7.38	7.33	7.38	7.47	7.53	7.47	7.75	7.75	7.75
Kerosene ..	quart	5.64	5.64	5.66	6.32	6.32	6.21	6.61	6.61	6.61	6.18	6.18	6.18	6.31	6.31	6.31
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.86	21.86	21.86	20.86	20.86	20.86	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.88	20.88	20.88
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.45	14.45	14.33	15.83	16.29	16.29	16.57	16.57	16.57	15.75	15.75	15.75	16.50	16.50	16.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	19.85	19.95	21.40	16.43	16.67	17.14	16.86	17.00	17.43	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.88	16.88	17.50
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	19.10	19.10	19.00	19.71	19.71	19.57	20.17	20.17	20.17	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.60	21.60	21.25
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.25	9.25	9.25	10.14	10.14	10.14	9.93	9.93	10.00	10.10	10.20	10.20	9.63	9.63	9.63
" fresh ..	quart	6.50	6.50	6.50	7.14	7.14	7.14	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	11.60	11.20	11.40	10.17	10.17	10.86	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.40	10.40	10.40	8.25	8.25	8.25
" rib ..	"	9.90	9.55	9.45	10.14	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.40	9.40	9.40	8.25	8.25	8.25
" steak, rump ..	"	16.10	16.10	16.10	15.00	15.00	15.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	14.60	14.60	14.60	15.00	15.00	15.00
" chuck ..	"	10.40	9.90	10.00	10.14	10.14	10.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	7.60	7.60	7.60	9.00	9.00	9.00
" sausages ..	"	6.89	6.89	6.89	7.33	7.33	7.33	8.00	8.00	8.00	5.80	5.80	5.80	5.75	5.75	5.75
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.50	11.30	11.30	11.43	11.57	11.57	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.30	10.30	10.30	11.25	11.25	11.25
" brisket ..	"	8.45	8.10	8.10	9.71	9.86	9.86	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.40	8.40	8.40	9.25	9.25	9.25
Mutton, leg ..	"	9.00	8.70	8.70	8.50	8.43	8.29	9.86	9.86	10.00	7.30	7.30	7.30	9.00	9.00	9.00
" forequarter ..	"	5.00	4.45	4.50	6.57	6.29	6.14	7.14	7.00	7.14	4.80	4.80	5.00	5.25	5.25	5.25
" loin ..	"	8.50	8.20	8.20	8.29	8.29	8.14	8.00	7.86	7.86	6.80	6.80	6.80	7.00	6.75	6.75
" chops, loin ..	"	9.40	9.30	9.20	9.14	9.14	9.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	8.00	8.00	8.40	10.00	10.00	10.00
" chops, leg ..	"	10.00	9.80	9.80	9.43	9.43	9.43	11.00	11.00	11.00	8.20	8.25	8.25	10.00	10.00	10.00
Pork, leg ..	"	13.40	13.10	13.30	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	11.20	11.20	11.20	13.50	13.00	13.25
" loin ..	"	13.50	13.50	13.70	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.00	13.00	12.86	11.20	11.20	11.20	11.75	11.75	11.75
" chops ..	"	14.80	14.00	14.20	12.57	12.57	12.57	14.00	14.00	14.00	12.20	12.20	12.20	12.75	13.00	12.75
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	240.70	..	..	96.19	..	..	179.48	..	..	179.81	..	..	189.83	..

(a) Prices not available.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1942; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1942.

Article.	Unit.	PERTH AND FREMANTLE.			KALGOORLIE AND BOULDER.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.20	5.20	5.20
" self-raising ..	"	7.95	7.95	7.95	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.13	8.13	8.13	9.00	8.73	8.73
Tea ..	lb.	41.00	41.00	41.00	43.00	42.64	42.64	42.00	41.50	41.50	41.00	41.00	41.00	43.00	41.60	41.00
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.96	4.96	4.96	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian) (a)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sago (a) ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	11.00	11.05	11.05	12.29	12.36	12.36	11.63	11.88	11.88	11.38	11.38	11.38	11.80	12.00	12.00
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	7.75	7.75	7.75	12.00	10.00	12.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.85	8.85	8.85	9.55	9.55	9.55
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	4.06	4.06	4.06	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.13	4.13	4.13	4.30	4.30	4.30
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.61	11.61	11.60	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.50	12.40	12.40	12.00
Currants ..	"	9.94	9.94	10.17	11.00	11.14	11.14	10.38	10.38	10.38	10.25	10.38	10.25	10.80	10.80	10.80
Apricots, dried (a)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	14.28	14.31	14.31	15.71	15.86	15.70	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.75	15.00	14.67	15.38	15.50	15.50
Pears, canned ..	lb.	15.06	15.06	15.06	16.14	16.29	16.13	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.50	15.67	15.33	15.83	15.75	15.75
Salmon, in tins (a)	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	16.30	13.60	13.40	14.04	14.93	14.71	16.50	15.63	14.13	12.33	13.25	13.38	24.00	14.75	14.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	4.83	4.25	3.50	7.75	5.92	4.71	8.50	5.33	4.75	5.02	5.00	4.67	5.34	5.50	4.67
Soap ..	"	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.90	7.90	7.90	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.47	7.33	7.47
Kerosene ..	quart	6.60	6.60	6.60	8.67	8.79	8.79	6.81	6.81	6.81	7.44	7.44	7.44	7.53	7.53	7.53
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	23.57	23.71	23.71	23.00	23.00	23.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	22.00	22.00	22.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.61	17.85	17.85	17.67	17.86	17.86	17.38	17.50	17.50	18.00	18.00	17.75	18.00	17.80	17.80
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	19.25	19.30	21.00	21.86	20.71	23.07	19.63	19.63	20.75	12.75	13.50	16.00	18.00	18.40	19.60
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.71	18.86	18.86	17.38	18.00	18.00	17.25	17.25	17.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	9.63	9.63	9.63	10.13	10.13	10.13	10.70	10.70	10.70
" fresh ..	quart	7.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	11.80	11.80	11.80	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.33	10.33	10.33
" rib ..	"	9.90	9.75	9.75	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.33	9.33	9.33
" steak, rump ..	"	17.50	17.50	17.60	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.75	17.75	17.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
" chuck ..	"	10.20	10.20	10.30	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.25	11.25	11.25	10.80	10.60	10.60	9.00	9.00	9.00
" sausages ..	"	8.40	8.50	8.50	9.71	9.71	9.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	9.90	9.90	10.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.25	11.25	11.25	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" brisket ..	"	7.60	7.60	7.80	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	8.90	8.90	9.00	10.57	10.57	10.57	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.33	8.33	8.33
" forequarter ..	"	5.55	5.50	5.50	6.57	6.57	6.57	5.75	5.63	5.88	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.33	5.33	5.33
" loin ..	"	8.60	8.60	8.65	10.14	10.07	10.07	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.80	9.80	9.80	7.67	7.67	7.67
" chops, loin ..	"	9.70	9.70	9.80	11.00	11.00	11.00	9.75	9.50	9.50	9.80	9.80	9.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
" chops, leg ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.10	11.00	11.00	11.00	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.00	9.80	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Pork, leg ..	"	13.70	13.70	13.70	14.86	14.86	14.86	12.50	12.50	12.25	12.20	12.20	12.20	12.00	12.00	12.00
" loin ..	"	13.70	13.70	13.70	14.71	14.71	14.71	12.25	12.25	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" chops ..	"	14.10	14.10	14.10	15.43	15.43	15.43	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	238.67	..	..	267.94	..	..	226.01	..	..	244.69	..	..	266.11	..

(a) Prices not available.

**TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1942; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1942.**

Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.90	5.90	5.90	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
" self-raising ..	"	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.36	7.36	7.43	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.10	8.10	8.10	8.00	7.75	7.75
Tea ..	lb.	40.90	41.00	41.00	40.71	40.93	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	40.90	41.10	41.00	40.63	40.63	41.00
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.00	4.00	4.00
Rice (Australian) ..	"	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.71	3.90	3.88	3.80	4.17	4.17	3.90	3.88	3.83	4.13	4.17	4.17
Sago (a) ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	9.50	9.50	9.50	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.38	9.38	9.50
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	8.33	8.33	8.35	7.50	7.43	7.50	8.20	8.20	8.20	7.80	7.80	7.80	9.50	9.50	9.50
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	4.06	4.05	4.05	3.64	3.68	3.68	3.90	4.00	3.90	3.70	3.70	3.70	4.75	4.75	4.75
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.36	11.36	11.43	11.80	11.70	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.75	12.63	12.63	12.63
Currants ..	"	10.56	10.56	10.56	10.08	10.17	10.17	10.30	10.30	10.40	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.88	10.88	10.88
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	13.05	13.30	13.30	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.63	12.83	13.17	12.90	13.17	13.50	13.50	13.63	13.38
Pears, canned ..	"	13.17	13.35	13.35	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.10	12.83	12.83	13.00	13.00	14.00	13.88	14.00	14.00
Salmon, in tins (a) ..	lb.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	16.73	16.83	20.92	16.50	16.25	17.52	13.79	13.68	14.35	14.90	16.02	18.48	16.04	16.42	17.72
Onions, brown ..	lb.	8.00	5.00	3.94	6.00	6.00	3.20	4.25	4.25	3.40	5.83	5.83	3.60	4.00	4.00	3.50
Soap ..	"	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.40	7.40	7.40	7.33	7.33	7.33
Kerosene ..	quart	8.00	8.06	8.22	7.91	7.91	7.91	7.48	7.48	7.60	7.65	7.63	7.63	8.29	8.29	8.40
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.25	20.25	20.25
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.44	17.44	17.44	15.64	15.64	15.64	16.90	16.90	16.90	16.80	16.80	16.80	16.38	16.38	17.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	16.90	17.00	20.70	14.86	14.71	19.86	12.80	14.80	15.60	11.60	11.80	15.20	15.50	17.13	19.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	20.78	20.78	20.78	19.86	19.86	19.86	20.40	20.40	20.40	19.90	19.90	19.90	20.00	20.33	20.33
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.80	9.80	9.80	9.64	9.64	9.64	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.00	10.00	10.00
" fresh ..	quart	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.33	6.33	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.50	12.50	12.20	10.86	10.86	10.57	11.25	11.25	11.25	10.33	10.33	10.33	12.00	12.00	12.00
" rib ..	"	10.10	10.20	9.90	9.43	9.43	8.86	10.00	10.25	10.25	10.00	10.33	10.33	11.33	11.33	11.33
" steak, rump ..	"	17.40	17.50	17.30	14.43	14.57	14.29	14.25	14.25	14.25	12.67	12.67	12.67	15.33	15.33	15.33
" chuck ..	"	9.95	9.85	9.85	8.14	8.14	7.86	9.00	9.25	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	11.33	11.33	11.33
" sausages ..	"	7.50	7.50	7.60	7.29	7.29	7.29	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.50	11.50	11.40	10.07	10.07	10.07	11.50	11.50	11.50	10.33	10.33	10.33	12.33	12.33	12.33
" " brisket ..	"	9.75	9.75	9.45	8.71	8.86	8.64	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.33	9.33	9.33	11.33	11.33	11.33
Mutton, leg ..	"	10.15	10.20	9.70	10.36	10.36	10.07	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.33	12.00	12.00
" forequarter ..	"	6.90	6.75	5.95	6.57	6.57	5.79	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.00	9.33
" loin ..	"	9.30	9.35	8.95	9.36	9.36	8.79	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.00	11.67	11.67	12.33	12.00	12.00
" chops, loin ..	"	11.40	11.30	10.70	11.86	11.86	11.43	13.75	13.75	13.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.33	12.00	12.00
" " leg ..	"	11.50	11.30	10.90	11.86	11.86	11.43	13.75	13.75	13.75	12.00	11.67	11.67	12.33	12.00	12.00
Pork, leg ..	"	16.80	16.40	16.50	14.14	14.57	13.86	14.25	14.25	14.25	12.67	12.67	12.67	13.67	13.67	14.00
" loin ..	"	17.30	16.90	16.20	14.29	14.71	13.71	14.25	14.25	14.25	13.00	13.00	13.33	13.67	13.67	14.00
" chops ..	"	17.50	17.10	16.70	14.71	15.00	14.29	14.25	14.25	14.25	13.00	13.00	13.33	13.67	13.67	14.00
House Rents ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	251.34	..	..	231.79	..	..	213.93	..	..	193.64	..	..	202.55	..

(a) Prices not available.

Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base : 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	Agricul- tural Pro- duce, &c.	Dairy Pro- duce.	Gro- ceries.	Meat.	Building Ma- terials.	Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861..	1,433	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,983	..	1,070	2,030	1,533
1871..	1,096	1,267	1,236	884	1,586	..	1,044	1,409	1,220
1881..	1,178	1,116	1,012	935	1,421	..	1,091	1,587	1,121
1891..	895	847	1,024	995	1,032	888	780	1,194	945
1901..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,346	841	917	974
1902..	1,007	756	1,192	1,215	945	1,447	837	881	1,051
1903..	923	834	1,209	1,059	936	1,443	875	921	1,049
1904..	821	835	754	876	916	1,427	845	875	399
1905..	772	850	894	980	942	1,209	801	859	910
1906..	882	978	916	972	923	1,110	896	864	948
1907..	1,037	1,017	973	1,020	948	1,294	968	961	1,021
1908..	1,033	901	1,312	1,198	968	1,335	935	891	1,115
1909..	1,014	907	1,000	1,119	978	1,088	911	815	993
1910..	1,004	1,052	969	1,100	999	1,008	996	808	1,003
1911..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1912..	1,021	991	1,370	1,206	1,052	1,357	1,057	978	1,170
1913..	1,046	1,070	1,097	1,054	1,024	1,252	1,128	995	1,088
1914..	1,099	1,032	1,207	1,137	1,021	1,507	1,081	1,253	1,149
1915..	1,284	1,017	2,162	1,530	1,133	2,435	1,275	1,528	1,604
1916..	1,695	1,423	1,208	1,485	1,322	2,515	1,491	1,760	1,504
1917..	2,129	2,008	1,157	1,423	1,343	2,403	1,884	2,171	1,662
1918..	2,416	2,360	1,444	1,454	1,422	2,385	2,636	3,225	1,934
1919..	2,125	2,363	1,985	1,651	1,516	2,348	2,851	2,898	2,058
1920..	2,298	2,624	2,459	2,209	1,918	3,279	3,226	2,825	2,480
1921..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922..	1,942	1,631	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
1923..	1,826	2,148	1,778	1,837	1,746	2,579	2,025	1,933	1,944
1924..	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,815	1,806	1,886
1925..	1,852	1,967	1,797	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926..	1,938	1,532	2,001	1,784	1,731	1,931	1,665	1,316	1,832
1927..	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,624	1,866	1,817
1928..	1,912	1,781	1,726	1,751	1,707	2,015	1,744	1,923	1,792
1929..	1,912	1,556	1,792	1,853	1,690	2,246	1,754	1,942	1,803
1930..	1,866	1,127	1,484	1,624	1,666	2,025	1,875	1,982	1,596
1931..	1,826	1,039	1,121	1,399	1,794	1,508	2,025	2,166	1,428
1932..	1,736	1,000	1,230	1,303	1,767	1,348	2,043	2,127	1,411
1933..	1,713	1,118	1,175	1,195	1,714	1,487	2,061	2,106	1,409
1934..	1,660	1,261	1,288	1,274	1,735	1,540	2,015	2,018	1,471
1935..	1,602	1,217	1,344	1,325	1,729	1,503	1,964	1,996	1,469
1936..	1,566	1,331	1,480	1,351	1,731	1,634	1,969	1,997	1,543
1937..	1,772	1,406	1,604	1,451	1,750	1,678	2,430	2,006	1,656
1938..	1,746	1,051	1,789	1,549	1,747	1,871	2,238	2,059	1,662
1939..	1,758	1,101	1,820	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1940..	1,854	1,362	1,568	1,567	1,784	1,882	2,890	2,298	1,713
1941..	1,960	1,402	1,721	1,554	1,884	1,776	3,138	2,504	1,796
1942..	2,146	1,507	1,900	1,665	1,937	2,312	3,409	2,344	1,976

NOTE.—The index of wholesale prices above was first computed in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 31 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report* will indicate that animal fodders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. Comparisons of wholesale price index-numbers over the past 12 years are shown in tables which follow.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and dealers, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base : 1928-29 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Tex- tiles.	Chemi- cals.	Rubber and Hides.	Build- ing Ma- terials.	Food- stuffs and To- bacco.	Goods princi- pally Im- ported.	Goods princi- pally Home Pro- duced.	All Groups.
1928-29 ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1934-35 ..	766	842	609	840	674	981	816	1,009	749	814
1935-36 ..	725	895	774	816	766	981	857	1,037	776	840
1936-37 ..	758	925	920	814	963	1,044	910	1,088	828	892
1937-38 ..	798	951	776	824	844	1,098	932	1,117	845	911
1938-39 ..	808	944	633	833	806	1,024	961	1,087	862	916
1939-40 ..	828	1,083	806	880	1,013	1,144	946	1,214	866	949
1940-41 ..	846	1,292	858	1,018	1,094	1,355	999	1,454	896	1,033
1941-42 ..	924	1,418	913	1,130	1,176	1,427	1,092	1,673	949	1,125
1939-40—										
July ..	815	946	663	835	805	1,013	915	1,077	835	893
August ..	816	944	659	835	825	1,013	905	1,077	827	888
September ..	816	948	787	835	931	1,098	918	1,125	846	907
October ..	816	993	850	835	986	1,099	943	1,157	857	929
November ..	829	1,039	855	835	1,046	1,134	934	1,195	854	936
December ..	829	1,087	842	839	1,085	1,140	931	1,231	850	942
January ..	829	1,096	844	922	1,082	1,139	941	1,234	864	953
February ..	830	1,097	816	923	1,098	1,200	947	1,249	869	961
March ..	833	1,140	834	923	1,089	1,201	960	1,266	880	974
April ..	849	1,152	843	924	1,063	1,203	982	1,275	898	990
May ..	835	1,274	843	924	1,084	1,201	995	1,329	908	1,010
June ..	835	1,279	838	924	1,062	1,287	982	1,352	899	1,010
1940-41—										
July ..	835	1,280	836	1,006	1,052	1,287	983	1,361	898	1,011
August ..	835	1,275	825	1,014	1,050	1,359	997	1,373	914	1,025
September ..	835	1,272	838	1,014	1,051	1,359	1,003	1,368	919	1,029
October ..	841	1,282	850	1,012	1,059	1,359	1,005	1,398	915	1,033
November ..	841	1,282	848	1,019	1,112	1,359	974	1,392	897	1,018
December ..	841	1,286	852	1,019	1,106	1,359	1,030	1,488	906	1,048
January ..	847	1,285	853	1,020	1,092	1,354	1,036	1,489	910	1,052
February ..	848	1,283	852	1,020	1,084	1,355	997	1,495	881	1,031
March ..	848	1,284	868	1,022	1,094	1,355	989	1,495	876	1,027
April ..	857	1,325	878	1,022	1,121	1,355	992	1,516	881	1,036
May ..	859	1,325	895	1,022	1,180	1,379	991	1,537	879	1,040
June ..	859	1,326	897	1,022	1,128	1,379	994	1,539	880	1,041
1941-42—										
July ..	885	1,327	878	1,022	1,132	1,382	1,027	1,554	904	1,062
August ..	888	1,351	889	1,042	1,131	1,382	1,056	1,564	927	1,083
September ..	918	1,373	898	1,123	1,131	1,382	1,069	1,615	936	1,101
October ..	918	1,377	910	1,123	1,134	1,390	1,069	1,636	931	1,103
November ..	918	1,402	914	1,146	1,166	1,399	1,071	1,676	927	1,110
December ..	924	1,400	909	1,146	1,188	1,399	1,051	1,664	919	1,101
January ..	924	1,431	905	1,158	1,237	1,399	1,056	1,658	931	1,108
February ..	926	1,438	920	1,158	1,247	1,399	1,078	1,654	950	1,121
March ..	926	1,481	929	1,160	1,189	1,399	1,084	1,671	955	1,129
April ..	950	1,480	933	1,160	1,188	1,399	1,113	1,688	975	1,149
May ..	952	1,480	937	1,161	1,185	1,600	1,187	1,840	998	1,202
June ..	956	1,480	934	1,161	1,185	1,598	1,239	1,856	1,030	1,231
1942-43—										
July ..	956	1,490	1,015	1,161	1,185	1,598	1,225	1,806	1,041	1,227
August ..	972	1,540	997	1,161	1,185	1,600	1,231	1,814	1,054	1,238
September ..	975	1,540	1,001	1,161	1,185	1,600	1,246	1,881	1,045	1,247
October ..	1,026	1,545	1,004	1,161	1,185	1,600	1,207	1,878	1,030	1,236
November ..	1,031	1,547	992	1,174	1,185	1,609	1,197	1,907	1,017	1,233
December ..	1,031	1,578	1,005	1,174	1,183	1,780	1,173	1,955	1,007	1,237

PRIMARY PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The annual index-numbers in the following table have been recomputed to the base 1928-29 = 1,000 from the revised series published in *Production Bulletin* No. 34 Part II. They are based in general on prices realized in the principal markets of Australia.

The monthly index-numbers (based on the nearest equivalent wholesale quotations) are intended progressively to forecast the point which the annual index-numbers will eventually reach, and to provide a preliminary figure for the latest full year pending the completion of the annual census of production. The preliminary index-numbers will be revised as each production census is completed.

(Base : 1928-29 = 1,000.)

Period.	Agriculture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Mining other than Gold.(a)	Gold. (a)	All Groups.
1928-29	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1934-35	749	596	646	655	689	2,001	674
1935-36	808	767	711	768	735	2,061	781
1936-37	950	857	761	870	795	2,038	877
1937-38	850	789	829	817	879	2,044	836
1938-39	770	681	868	745	756	2,074	761
1939-40	760	792	873	796	789	2,289	812
1940-41	853	850	863	853	880	2,509	873
1941-42	873	878	901	880	933	2,515	903
1941-42—							
July	853	851	876	856	947	2,519	878
August	869	876	882	874	948	2,519	895
September	872	876	886	876	948	2,519	896
October	866	872	886	874	948	2,519	896
November	862	867	895	870	948	2,511	893
December	850	850	894	858	959	2,483	883
January	873	844	894	862	959	2,467	888
February	883	859	891	872	960	2,460	897
March	891	861	901	878	960	2,460	902
April	894	884	931	895	963	2,460	918
May	884	923	932	911	970	2,460	932
June	884	969	935	934	999	2,460	953
1942-43—							
July	890	1,042	945	973	999	2,460	988
August	896	1,061	954	986	1,008	2,460	1,000
September	894	1,042	961	977	1,008	2,460	992
October	909	996	961	960	1,008	2,460	977
November	914	965	957	946	1,017	2,460	965
December	837	967	964	923	1,017	2,460	946

(a) Year ended December previous.

EXPORT PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

These index-numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which constitute about 85 per cent. of all exports. The prices are multiplied by the average quantities exported during a fairly recent and representative period.

(Base : 1928-29 = 1,000.)

Year.	Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.	Month.	1940-41.		1941-42.		1942-43.	
				Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.	Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.	Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.
1928-29	1,000	1,000	July ..	848	882	859	894	937	966
1930-31	608	620	August ..	844	879	861	896	936	965
1931-32	593	612	September ..	846	881	862	897	937	967
1932-33	579	601	October ..	847	882	866	900	935	965
1933-34	796	764	November ..	847	883	870	904	937	966
1934-35	615	642	December ..	847	882	871	904	935	965
1935-36	782	806							
1936-37	959	975	January ..	848	883	873	906	..	..
1937-38	850	871	February ..	855	889	872	905	..	..
1938-39	681	711	March ..	859	894	872	905	..	..
1939-40	800	835	April ..	859	894	873	906	..	..
1940-41	852	886	May ..	859	893	875	907	..	..
1941-42	869	902	June ..	859	894	871	902	..	..

NOTE.—While the index-numbers above indicate satisfactorily the general trend of the market, they take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the different prices ruling in each month and consequently do not give an adequate indication of the significance of the price movements as they actually affected current sales. This is shown more accurately by the Export Price Index (Changing Base), published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and in the computation of which the "quantity-multipliers" are changed each month.

COMPARATIVE INDEX-NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

† (Base : Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.				Retail Price Index-numbers.				Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (a)	Percentage of Unemploy- ment among Trade Unionists.
				Food and Grocer- ies.	Housing (4 and 5 Rooms).	Food Groceries and Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). "B" Series.	All Items of House- hold Ex- pendi- ture. "C" Series.			
Year—										
1911 ..	..	..	..	1,000	1,000	1,000	(b)1,000	1,000	(b)1,000	4.7
1914 ..	..	..	..	1,144	1,082	1,121	1,140	1,081	948	8.3
1921 ..	..	..	..	1,902	1,410	1,717	1,680	1,826	1,087	11.2
1928 ..	..	..	..	1,761	1,743	1,755	1,675	1,963	1,172	10.8
1937 ..	..	..	..	1,521	1,488	1,510	1,448	1,707	1,178	9.3
1938 ..	..	..	..	1,584	1,540	1,568	1,488	1,799	1,209	8.7
1939 ..	..	..	..	1,657	1,577	1,626	1,526	1,846	1,211	9.7
1940 ..	..	..	..	1,679	1,590	1,644	1,588	1,889	1,190	8.0
1941 ..	..	..	..	1,693	1,595	1,654	1,673	1,997	1,194	3.7
1942 ..	..	..	..	1,843	1,596	1,742	1,509	..	..	1.6
Quarter—										
1932.										
September ..	..	..	..	1,416	1,327	1,382	1,370	1,608	1,174	29.6
December ..	..	..	..	1,369	1,314	1,348	1,346	1,597	1,186	28.1
1933.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,317	1,318	1,318	1,327	1,585	1,194	26.5
June ..	..	..	..	1,337	1,314	1,329	1,334	1,595	1,196	25.7
September ..	..	..	..	1,359	1,311	1,341	1,340	1,587	1,184	25.1
December ..	..	..	..	1,355	1,311	1,339	1,337	1,570	1,174	23.0
1934.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,371	1,315	1,350	1,344	1,572	1,170	21.9
June ..	..	..	..	1,404	1,319	1,372	1,358	1,592	1,172	20.9
September ..	..	..	..	1,401	1,331	1,375	1,357	1,596	1,176	20.4
December ..	..	..	..	1,422	1,332	1,388	1,361	1,599	1,175	18.8
1935.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,420	1,356	1,396	1,368	1,607	1,175	18.6
June ..	..	..	..	1,425	1,363	1,402	1,371	1,609	1,174	17.8
September ..	..	..	..	1,461	1,379	1,430	1,389	1,613	1,161	15.9
December ..	..	..	..	1,460	1,390	1,434	1,391	1,620	1,165	18.7
1936.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,445	1,413	1,433	1,391	1,623	1,167	13.4
June ..	..	..	..	1,455	1,425	1,444	1,397	1,629	1,166	12.6
September ..	..	..	..	1,489	1,440	1,474	1,420	1,641	1,156	12.0
December ..	..	..	..	1,510	1,461	1,491	1,430	1,659	1,160	10.7
1937.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,510	1,470	1,495	1,433	1,662	1,160	9.9
June ..	..	..	..	1,507	1,483	1,498	1,441	1,680	1,166	9.7
September ..	..	..	..	1,526	1,490	1,516	1,454	1,721	1,184	9.8
December ..	..	..	..	1,540	1,510	1,529	1,465	1,763	1,203	8.2
1938.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,540	1,521	1,534	1,467	1,778	1,212	8.0
June ..	..	..	..	1,572	1,534	1,558	1,482	1,787	1,206	8.6
September ..	..	..	..	1,616	1,547	1,589	1,500	1,806	1,204	9.2
December ..	..	..	..	1,608	1,559	1,589	1,501	1,823	1,215	8.9
1939.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,673	1,568	1,631	1,524	1,826	1,198	9.6
June ..	..	..	..	1,654	1,575	1,623	1,522	1,847	1,214	9.5
September ..	..	..	..	1,645	1,582	1,620	1,520	1,854	1,220	10.2
December ..	..	..	..	1,657	1,584	1,628	1,536	1,858	1,210	9.3
1940.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,640	1,587	1,620	1,542	1,864	1,209	7.9
June ..	..	..	..	1,638	1,589	1,649	1,583	1,875	1,184	10.5
September ..	..	..	..	1,676	1,591	1,642	1,590	1,903	1,197	7.4
December ..	..	..	..	1,710	1,593	1,663	1,635	1,912	1,169	6.2
1941.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,713	1,595	1,666	1,651	1,966	1,191	5.3
June ..	..	..	..	1,679	1,595	1,646	1,660	1,984	1,195	3.6
September ..	..	..	..	1,673	1,595	1,643	1,675	2,002	1,195	3.2
December ..	..	..	..	1,705	1,596	1,662	1,707	2,034	1,192	2.9
1942.										
March ..	..	..	..	1,771	1,597	1,701	1,746	2,091	1,198	1.8
June ..	..	..	..	1,832	1,596	1,736	1,793	2,127	1,186	1.7
September ..	..	..	..	1,887	1,595	1,768	1,835	2,182	1,189	1.6
December ..	..	..	..	1,880	1,595	1,764	1,861	..	..	1.3

(a) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series index of retail prices.

(b) Taken back from true base (November, 1914=1,000) by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

† The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

Heading.		Years.						
		1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.
Population(a)	Males	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,799,462	3,332,577	3,597,444
	Females	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,711,532	3,220,029	3,539,777
	Persons	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,510,994	6,552,606	7,137,221
Births	No.	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	118,509	134,525
	Rate	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	18.16	19.22
Deaths	No.	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076	56,560	71,176
	Rate	14.60	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91	8.67	10.17
Marriages	No.	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	38,882	75,148
	Rate	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	5.96	10.74
		1881-82.	1891-92.	1901-02.	1911-12.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1940-41.
Agriculture—								
Wheat	Area, acs.	2,995,814	3,334,957	5,115,965	7,427,834	9,719,042	14,741,313	12,644,646
	Yld., bshl.	21,443,862	25,675,265	38,561,619	71,636,347	129,088,806	190,612,188	82,233,324
Oats	Area, acs.	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,794	733,406	1,085,489	1,722,902
	Yld., bshl.	4,795,897	5,728,256	9,789,854	9,561,893	12,147,433	15,194,680	10,199,218
Barley	Area, acs.	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	342,396	757,447
	Yld., bshl.	1,353,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,886	6,085,685	6,290,672	7,133,620
Maize	Area, acs.	163,777	284,423	294,849	340,065	305,186	269,487	362,861
	Yld., bshl.	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,786	8,939,855	7,840,438	7,062,383	9,192,744
Hay	Area, acs.	34,54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69	26.21	25.33
	Yld., tons	767,194	1,067,255	2,024,608	2,867,973	2,994,516	2,634,080	2,353,506
Potatoes(b)	Area, acs.	76,265	112,884	109,685	136,463	149,144	145,111	122,990
	Yld., tons	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	397,102	454,384
Sugar-cane	Area, acs.	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,356	241,576	273,491
	Yld., tons	349,627	737,573	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,436,890	4,213,463	5,523,416
Vineyards	Area, acs.	14,569	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	112,961	130,006
	Wine, gal.	1,438,060	3,437,598	5,262,447	4,975,147	8,542,573	14,190,522	15,981,526
Total gross value all agricultural production		£ 15,519,000	£ 16,988,000	£ 23,335,000	£ 23,774,000	£ 81,890,000	£ 74,489,000	£ 70,123,000
Pastoral, dairying, &c.—								
Live Stock	Sheep No.	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	96,886,234	86,119,068	110,618,893	122,693,601
	Cattle	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,481,428	11,828,954	14,441,309	12,260,955	13,255,841
(a)	Horses	1,088,029	1,534,737	1,620,420	2,278,226	2,438,182	1,775,550	1,665,016
	Pigs	703,183	845,883	931,309	1,110,721	960,385	1,167,845	1,797,821
Wool prodn., lb. (d)		319,649,000	634,046,000	539,395,000	798,391,000	723,059,000	1,007,456,000	1,141,775,000
Butter production		(e)	42,314,585	103,747,295	212,073,745	267,071,340	390,654,070	432,082,922
Cheese production		(e)	10,130,945	11,845,153	15,886,712	32,653,003	31,422,973	60,004,440
Bacon and ham		(e)	16,771,886	34,020,629	53,335,092	58,626,469	71,121,740	88,773,119
Total gross value of pastoral and dairying production		£ 29,538,000	£ 39,256,000	£ 36,890,000	£ 72,883,000	£ 119,399,000	£ 103,018,000	(i) £ 167,042,000
		1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.
Mineral production—								
Gold	£	5,194,390	5,281,861	14,017,538	10,551,624	4,018,685	3,563,519	15,990,550
	£	45,622	3,736,352	2,248,598	3,022,177	1,539,992	1,443,897	4,745,046
Silver and Lead	£	714,005	367,373	2,215,431	2,564,278	803,957	567,558	893,080
	£	1,145,889	560,502	448,234	1,209,973	418,418	216,205	711,628
Tin	£	200	2,979	4,067	1,415,169	283,455	512,795	916,905
	£	637,865	1,912,353	2,602,733	3,927,360	11,014,831	6,355,246	8,327,341
Total value of all mineral production		£ 7,820,290	£ 12,074,106	£ 21,816,772	£ 23,302,878	£ 19,997,384	£ 13,352,316	(j) £ 40,002,669
Forestry production—								
Quantity of local timber								
sawn or hewn—								
'000 sup. ft.		(e)	(e)	452,181	604,794	590,495	236,707	825,634
Factories—								
No. of factories	No.				14,455	18,023	21,657	27,300
	No.				311,710	378,540	336,658	650,073
Hands employed	No.				27,528,377	68,050,861	55,931,818	137,919,068
	£				51,259,004	121,674,119	110,981,330	257,914,349
Wages paid	£				133,022,090	320,331,765	281,645,785	644,794,908
	£							
Total value of output								

(a) At 31st December. (b) Partly estimated for 1881. (c) Area of productive cane. (d) In terms of greasy. (e) Information not available. (f) Years ended December, except for last two columns which refer to years ended June. (g) Year, 1938, later figures are not available for publication. (h) Owing to variation in classification and lack of information, effective comparison is impossible. (i) 1939-40. (j) 1940.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA—continued.

Heading.	Years.						
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1940-41.
Shipping—							
Oversea vessels (No. ent. & cleared) tons	3,284	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,111	3,057 (a)	3,814
Commerce—	2,549,364	4,726,307	6,541,991	9,984,801	9,081,278	11,395,784	(a) 18,545,712
Imports, oversea £	29,067,000	37,711,000	42,434,000	66,967,488	103,066,436	44,712,868	b 108,650,056
„ per head £	12/16/2	11/16/0	11/3/11	14/18/2	18/14/1	6/16/6	15/9/11
Exports, oversea £	27,528,000	36,043,000	49,696,000	79,482,258	127,846,535	c 85,842,887	bc 107,574,912
„ per head £	12/2/8	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/10	23/4/1	13/1/11	15/6/10
Total oversea trade £	56,595,000	73,754,000	92,130,000	146,449,746	230,912,971	130,555,765	b 216,224,968
„ per head £	24/18/10	23/1/6	24/6/1	32/12/0	41/18/2	19/18/5	30/16/9
Customs and Excise duties £	4,800,326	7,440,869	8,656,530	13,515,005	27,565,199	28,524,996	58,776,400
„ per head £	2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	4/7/1	7/13/5
Principal Oversea Exports (d) £							
Wool .. lb. (e) ..	328,369,200	619,259,800	518,018,100	720,364,900	927,833,700	893,644,148	(f)
Wheat .. cental	13,173,026	19,940,029	15,237,454	26,071,193	47,977,044	32,102,246	39,645,306
Flour .. tons	3,218,792	5,876,875	12,156,035	33,088,704	59,963,334	78,440,603	(f)
Butter .. lb.	1,189,762	1,938,864	2,774,643	9,641,603	23,644,155	19,220,203	9,247,836
Hides and skins	49,549	33,363	96,814	175,891	359,734	610,858	(f)
Tallow ..	519,635	323,423	539,604	1,391,529	5,519,881	3,833,237	7,427,132
Meats ..	1,298,800	4,239,500	34,607,400	101,722,000	127,347,400	201,639,404	11,973,485
Timber (undressed)	39,383	206,868	1,451,168	4,637,392	7,968,078	10,260,002	4,068,016
Gold ..	316,378	873,695	1,250,938	3,227,236	5,136,810	2,315,594	561,660
Silver and lead	644,149	571,069	677,745	1,935,686	1,441,795	831,415	15,815,920
Copper ..	362,966	460,894	2,611,244	4,303,159	5,542,102	6,370,012	429,199
Coal ..	118,117	58,448	731,301	1,023,960	1,158,166	432,595	(f)
Govt. Railways—							
Lgh. of line open, mls.	3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,502	26,959	27,241
Capital cost .. £	42,741,350	99,764,090	123,223,779	152,194,603	244,353,233	323,365,450	323,612,131
Gross revenue £	3,910,122	8,654,085	11,038,468	17,847,837	38,194,630	37,579,965	66,481,737
Working expenses £	2,141,735	5,630,182	7,133,617	10,945,727	29,817,970	28,141,934	50,893,094
Per cent. of working expenses on earnings %	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	78.07	74.88	76.55
Postal—							
Letters and post-cards dealt with No.	67,640,000	157,297,000	220,853,000	453,063,000	561,973,105	731,134,500	898,688,400
„ per head „	29.61	49.07	58.26	100.90	102.01	111.62	128.18
Newspapers dealt with No.	38,063,000	85,230,000	102,727,000	141,638,000	140,477,184	139,502,100	160,592,800
„ per head „	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.54	25.50	21.30	22.91
Cheque-paying Banks (h)—							
Note circulation £	3,978,711	4,417,269	3,399,462	3,718,458	(i) 213,862	107,121	166,644
Coin and bullion held £	9,108,243	16,712,923	19,730,528	33,470,770	21,626,830	2,882,026	(j) 3,828,003
Advances .. £	57,732,324	129,741,533	86,352,832	108,578,774	193,435,767	£260,917,515	jk 295,065,364
Deposits .. £	53,849,455	98,345,338	91,487,148	143,446,910	£273,866,73	£319,241,333	jk 537,578,890
Savings Banks (m)—							
Total deposits £	7,854,480	15,536,592	30,882,645	59,393,682	154,396,051	197,966,308	n 309,011,723
Aver. per head of population £	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	30/1/11	43/1/5
State Schools					1921.	1931.	1940.
Number of Schools ..	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	9,445	10,097	9,828
Teachers .. No.	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,120	33,762	31,479
Enrolment .. „	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	819,042	936,901	903,481
Aver. attendance ..	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	866,498	817,262	741,496

(a) 1938-39 figures. (b) Merchandise only. (c) British currency values. The recorded values were: Exports, 1931-32, £A109,034,065; and 1940-41, £A134,737,577, vide page 15. (d) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. (e) In terms of greasy. (f) Not available for publication. (g) Includes packets. (h) Figures for the first three years are averages for the December quarter; the remainder for the June quarter. (i) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue. (j) Quarter ended December, 1942. (k) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate (Commonwealth Bank) excluded. (l) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank Deposits. (m) First three years at 31st December; remainder 30th June. (n) At 31st December, 1942.



